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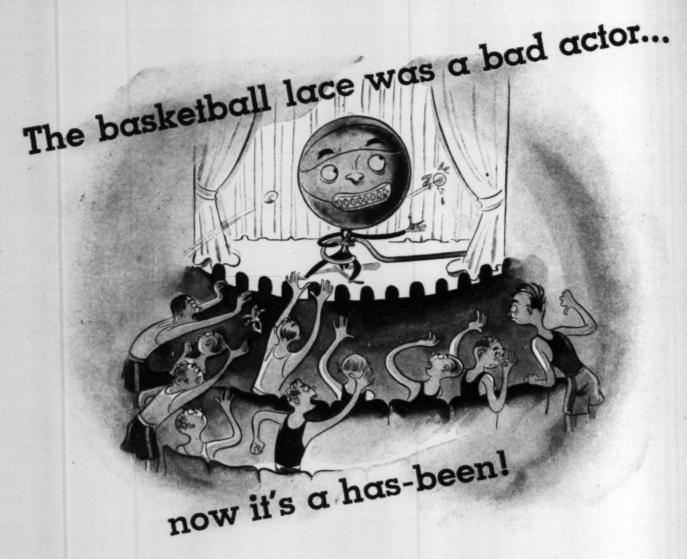
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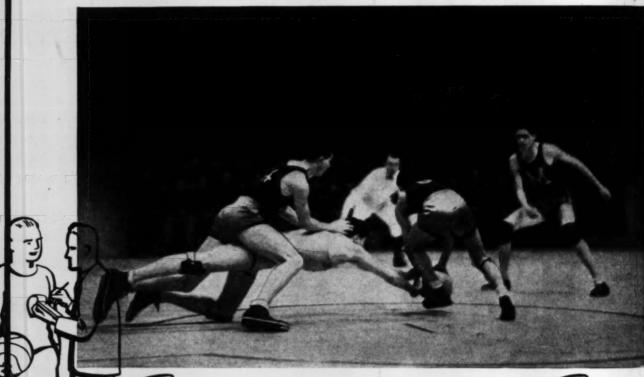
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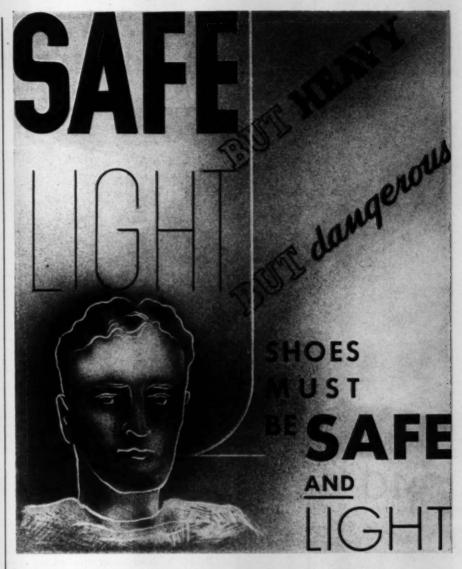
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Has Hearst gone to sleep?

TO THE EDITOR OF SCHOLASTIC COACH:

I want to tell you how much I liked your October cover showing the coach's memorandum pad and the scribblings on his desk. I was particularly attracted to the football lineup bearing such names as Robinson, King, Whitener, Gould, Wright, Watson, Gorman, Obey et al. Is this your idea of a typical American team? Ha ha! It is about the most un-American lineup I ever saw and I have a mind to call it to the attention of William Randolph Hearst. Where are the Schmoskoskis, the Pradovonovichs, the Riggletonis, and, if I may be so bold, the Zehfusses? Yes, you editors and artists who sit in arm-chairs and never get out among people may be pardoned for your ignorance of the real America.

Very truly yours,

PAUL E. R. ZEHFUSS, M.D. Asst. Basketball Coach, Univ. of Pittsburgh.

Scholastic Coach thanks Dr. Zehfuss for his searching criticism. His mention of Hearst prompts us to ask that patriotic publisher why he does not turn his editorial guns on this so-called American football. As Mr. Hearst can see from any lineup, the game is not 100 percent. How about it, Mr. Hearst? Go get 'em.—ECITOR.

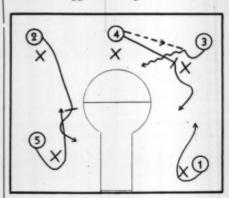
Screen, hesitate & break

TO THE EDITOR OF SCHOLASTIC COACH:

After reading Mr. Wells' interesting article in the October Scholastic Coach, I would like to suggest a few variations that might be of interest to coaches.

First of all I use the same formation as Mr.Wells' Diagram G, page 27, but use the screening man at all times as a possible scoring threat.

In the suggested Diagram X, all men



MR. NOBLE'S DIAGRAM X
[See page 6 for Mr. Wells' Diag. G]

that screen hesitate a moment and watch the man with the ball. The second he stops the screen man breaks for the basket. In nine cases out of ten the defensive man has turned to watch the ball and is caught off guard. This system of screen, hesitate, and break works effectively against shifting opponents, as the stopping and start-

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Football season in review. Grid deaths greatly exaggerated.

HE recent football season lends itself to easy comment by a division into four categories: (1) Entertainment Value, (2) Fatalities, (3) Professionalism, (4) Rules. We beg your indulgence while we unburden ourself of a few thoughts on these tonies.

Entertainment Value. The season was rich in this value. There were more spectators, paying more money, and seeming to get more fun than ever out of it all. Some say there were more spectators at games getting more fun out of the bottle than out of the game, but since the Associated Press has issued no communique on this matter (no doubt because they had neither the time nor the patience to count the bottles), we will not venture to say whether the drunks have become numerous enough to endanger football's Entertainment Value for the sobers. There was also a protest, flung out from Philadelphia by Professor John DaGrosa, author of the game's most comprehensive work, Manual for Functional Football (adv't.), over the amount of football gambling going on. Prof. DaGrosa thinks that it is undermining the game. The football score picking and pool racket has swept the country, with millions of dollars going into the hands of racketeers. We don't believe this is undermining the game, though there is no question as to what it is doing to a lot of pocketbooks. DaGrosa says that coaches who predict the outcome of games in the press and on the radio encourage the grand swindle. Though we doubt that if these coaches did not do this there would be any less gambling, we do believe that coaches should lay off the guessing business. The American Football Coaches' Association ought to forbid its members indulging in it.

Fatalities. Again the football fatality rate is getting widespread publicity through the enthusiasm of the Associated Press for keeping in touch with and reporting these tragedies with an amazing dexterity for skimming the surface and avoiding basic facts. As it annually turns out under a real examination, such as Floyd R. Eastwood and his New York University colleagues give it, many of the A.P.'s "tragedies of the gridiron" prove to be only remotely connected with the game of football. Yet, by the manner in which the stories are written the

reader is left with the impression that football alone brought about the conditions resulting in death. ¶Coaches and others interested in the welfare of football should do what they can to warn the public against giving credence to football-fatality reports that appear during the season, unless they contain a satisfactory account of all the circumstances involved. In-season newspaper reports never do this, and the public should be brought to realize that the only reports, national in scope, to be trusted are those issued by Mr. Eastwood's office, which has become generally accepted as the clearing house for football-injury and fatality-facts. ¶On the very day that the Associated Press was writing of "thirty-five fatalities reported," Mr. Eastwood told us that only about half that number could be attributed to football, and that as yet he did not have all the pertinent facts even on these. The A.P. and the Eastwood office are supposed to be cooperating on this matter, but it seems that the newsgathering agency seldom takes

the trouble to consult the fact-finding agency. Of course, on spot-news stories report-

ing the fatality the day of its occurence it is out of the question to have the Eastwood office make an investigation and issue its findings

on the case in time to go on the A.P. wires the same day. But it is not too much to expect the A.P. office at the source of the news to get as many facts as reporters on the other stories usually manage to get, and to put on

the wire something more than the usual two-sentence report. Any victim who happens to be a high school student, even though he may have no connection with the school team and plays all his football on some vacant lot with the corner gang, is usually referred to as a "high school player." ¶And this is not the only point in the matter at which the A.P. goes haywire. When it comes to "interpreting" the deaths, it invariably makes them out to appear the result of gross negligence on the part of high schools because deaths in the high school group outnumber those in the college group. These "interpretations" never take into account the fact that there are, putting it conservatively, ten times as many high school players as there are college players. Nothing so well reveals the A.P.'s haphazard treatment of this subject as the following sentence from its release of Nov. 13, 1935: ". . . twenty-nine of the thirtyfive fatalities reported have occurred in high school games and others of the pick-up variety, while only three casualties have occurred among college players." The italics are, of course, ours. Well, National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations, and the 48 state associations in control of interscholastic contests, not to mention the thousands of district and city high school leagues, how do you like that for lump classification after all the work you have been doing these many years?

Professionalism. We have always been in favor of frank and outright fees for college players at institutions desiring strong, crowd-getting teams. The newspapers in recent months have contained a number of tell-tale items, indicating that the demand for honesty and open-dealing in this matter is growing. Developments, in brief:

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Governor Davey of Ohio made the headlines by objecting to the presence of Ohio State football players on the state payroll. The implication seemed to be that he did not object to their [Concluded on page 28]

^{*}Photograph of basketball group of wire-reenforced paper dolls, executed by editors of The Agrarian, published by the School of Agriculture, Univ. of Minnesota.



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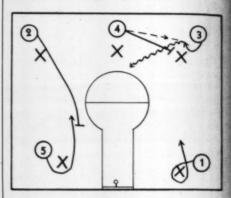
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ing of the screening player serves to disconcert the defensive player who has switched to cover him.

early season tactics: I have found it a good practice to restrict the dribble in early season practice to insure faster breaks and team work. At first the players will take steps, find themselves with the ball and no man open to receive a pass. After a few days boys learn that after



MR. WELLS' DIAGRAM G
[From page 27, October Scholastic Coach]

Player 4 passes the ball to Player 3 and blocks for 3 as he dribbles in toward the middle of the court, or goes all the way in for the pivot possibility. If Player 3 does not dribble in to become the pivot man with the ball, he has alternatives which Players 1, 5 and 2 make available when they recognize the intent of Player 3. In fact, the pass from Player 4 to Player 3 can be an automatic signal for the following: Player 2 cuts for the basket and screens for 5 as he does so. Player 5 circumvents his guard by the cut-around method shown in the diagram, and I performs a similar maneuver on his guard. All the defensive men are kept busy, and when they are kept this way they are much more likely to get in one another's way than if one or two men were left unharried with nothing to do but look for the switch they will make to spoil your screens.

passing they must break ahead to receive the next pass if necessary, also to break diagonally across the floor to receive a pass. Before long they may take one dribble and increase the dribbles as the season progresses. Midseason will find them rarely missing a man on the break or under the basket, because they have learned to look ahead.

The 1935-36 rules will tend to speed up the game considerably. More speed will see many more passes intercepted by opponents, so it might be wise to concentrate more on meeting each pass and special care taken to see that each player covers up each pass he receives. By breaking ahead of defensive man, cutting over in front of him when meeting a pass, the danger of interception will be greatly reduced.

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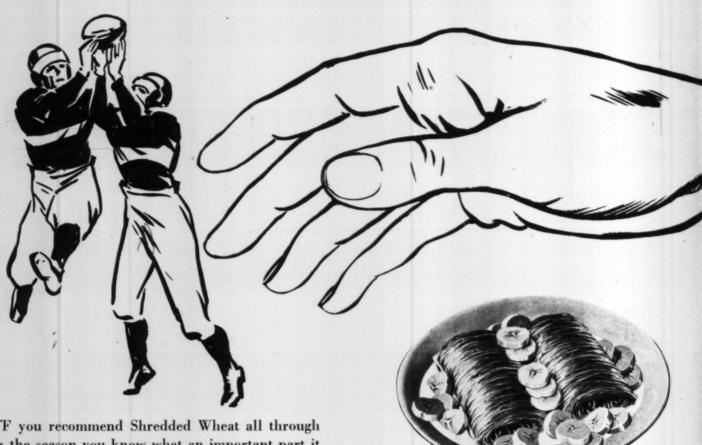
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BASKETBALL STRATEGY FOR 1935-36

By George R. Edwards

The case for the defense is presented by the Missouri coach in his second article

This is the final article of a series of two on the effect of the new rules on basketball strategy, written by the coach of the University of Missouri basketball team. The first article, dealing with the offense, appeared last month. Defense is this month's topic.

ONSIDERATION of the probable effects of the basketball rules changes for the coming season on defensive play arouses two contrasting thoughts in the minds of coaches. The first is that one great problem for the defense automatically has been solved. Formerly the offense had been allowed to station a player in front of or near the basket where he was a tremendous scoring threat as well as an effective hub for a good passing attack. At least a part of this pivot-post's activity consisted of attempts to crowd his guard out of position; and, just as often, the guard tried to keep the post away from spots where he was most danger-

Contention between the two so often developed into an unsatisfactory wrestling and pushing contest, for which responsibility was hard to place, that legislation against one or both was necessary. This legislation was aimed at the offensive man by the adoption of a provision which prevents a member of the team in control of the ball from staying in the freethrow circle or lane longer than three seconds, regardless of the ball's location. While the post player may stand at the side of the lane and still be a threat, there is no question but that his effectiveness has been reduced. Thus, the offense has only restricted use of a stunt which has been one of its most potent weapons. Normally it is axiomatic that any regulation which limits offensive action simplifies defensive play.

Post's guard must branch out

A coach's first thought that defensive teaching will be easier soon is followed by a fear that smart opponents may spring substitute tactics for the old pivot-post plays which might prove even more effective. At least during the early season games there will be many experiments with unique and complicated moves to obtain good shots. The defense which relaxes because of assumed legislative assistance probably will meet surprise offensive maneuvers which will cause many annoying and embarrassing moments.

There is no reason to anticipate any changes in the defensive work of individuals except for the player who has guarded opposing pivot-posts. Much time has been spent in the development of at least one tall, rugged, aggressive guard to cover the post. Since the play of all posts has been strikingly similar; and since he was easy to locate due to his occupancy of the same spot, the play of the post guard has had a tendency to become highly specialized. In fact, this defensive, specialist has had such little experience in other types of guarding that changes in attack often have made him valueless.

Forced by the new rules to adopt other methods it is probable that offenses will do more maneuvering than has been customary. If so, the specialty guard must learn more about covering an opponent who is far from the basket. In addition, the other defensive players must be prepared to guard an opponent who momentarily moves into the post position. Lack of versatility in guarding on the part of any individual will greatly handicap his team's effectiveness on defense. Particularly is this this true of man-to-man defenses. On the whole, though, the abilities which made players strong in defensive work last year will operate with equal force during the coming season.

The same conclusion applies to team defensive systems. Formations and stunts which were profitable under the old rules will need only slight adaptation to be just as valuable under the new. Any drastic changes developed will be forced by such factors as inability of new players to fit into former schemes; or by discovery of disastrous weaknesses which previously were not apparent.

Generally speaking, there are only two types of team defense; namely, the man-to-man and the zone. Each of these has variations and modifications designed to cope with peculiar situations, and sometimes one team will utilize features found in both plans. The general schemes and modifications are so well known to basketball coaches that any detailed explanation here is unnecessary. However, a brief review of the principles on which each is founded, together with a few problems each will face is attempted.

The names applied to these defenses are very descriptive. The man-to-man type assigns one guard to check the attack of a specified opponent; the zone defense assigns a guard to hinder any offensive action which takes place in one restricted area of the floor. In addition to his individual responsibility all players in both systems have emergency duties to perform when opponents overpower one part of the defense.

Man-to-man defense the favorite

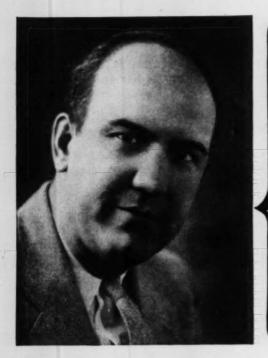
Man-to-man defenses seek to cover each opponent with a guard who can stop him. An attempt is made to meet strength with strength by matching the height, speed, aggressiveness, and agility of each opponent with a defensive man of similar characteristics. Recognizing, however, that every guard will fail at times to fulfill his assignment the scheme calls for sudden "switches" or "shifts" by one or more of his teammates to fill the gap caused by his failure. These shifts require that each defensive man possess a sound knowledge of the weakness of his team's plan, and an ability to diagnose all offensive thrusts quickly. Lack of this knowledge or ability will disrupt the defense whenever one of the cogs fails to function properly.

A tendency to become confused is a prominent weakness in the man-toman defense. In spite of this a vast majority of coaches prefer the scheme to the zone defense because of its greater adaptability and flexibility. The man-to-man plan can concentrate its members near the freethrow area to shut out a short shot attack; it can spread them over a larger territory to hinder longer shots or to upset timing of set plays; assignments can be changed to care for surprising strength; and it is the only scheme which offers a chance to obtain the ball when opponents are withholding it from play.

Now, what must a man-to-man scheme prepare for under the new rules?

For some seasons the pivot-post attack, because of its short shot strength, has been forcing the defense into retreated formations. Guards have had little or no experience in covering opponents "in the wide open spaces." Such guarding requires fine judgment and excellent footwork. With 1935-86 offenses making greater use of the fast break, double pivot-post, and

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maneuvering types of attack, it will be incumbent upon the guards to be capable of all-court defensive work.

Increased stress on the fast break will necessitate a quicker change to defensive formation, and probably will make the spread defense more valuable. At any rate, teams will profit by practice time spent in rushing to defensive stations upon loss of the ball. When set offenses of the double pivotpost type are met two post guards will be needed, but both of these must be able to cover opponents who cut, criss-cross or screen in rotation and spread types of offense. In other words, each man-to-man defensive player must be capable of good guarding regardless of the formations and tactics the opposition may employ.

Emergency defensive duties to fill in for individual lapses also must be stressed. These consist of "switches" or "shifts" to take care of an opponent who has eluded his guard either by cutting or screening. All methods of switching assignments are similar in operation but make use of variations in signals, timing, and changes. It is a common practice for some defensive man to yell "shift" or "screen" when an emergency arises. A slight threat to screen will cause one defense to shift while another may wait until the play actually takes place. It is generally agreed that a reduction in the number of changes a defense is compelled to make decreases the chances

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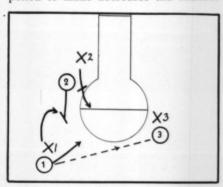


DIAGRAM I

The offensive move is a typical attempt to screen. I passes to 3 and 2 moves into a position which may prevent X-I from following the passer. Unless both X-I and X-2 know when and how to operate either one or the other of the opponents will obtain a scoring opportunity.

The defensive plan considers two possibilities: First, the position of I may not hinder X-I and no shift is necessary. Second, X-I may be screened and a shift is indicated. Defensive confusion will arise if one guard shifts and the other does not.

To cover the play X-2 "loosens up" on 2 and watches to see what happens to X-1. If the screen fails he stays with his man. Should the screen succeed X-2 steps over and picks up the free opponent while X-1 pivots quickly to guard the man who screened him. After the shift both defensive players stay with their new men until a convenient time to return to their old arrangements is found.

of confusion. A simple method which takes care of emergencies and yet permits the smallest possible number of shifts is sketched and described.

Single screens like this are covered with very little practice. Several screens in rapid succession worked against first one guard and then another, however, place great strains on the defense and require that each individual must be alert constantly. Failure of any guard to shift correctly presents the opposition with a scoring opportunity. Like the proverbial chain, a man-to-man defense is no stronger than its weakest link. Particularly will this be true in the coming season as the offense undoubtedly will exert

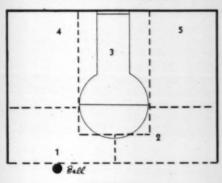


DIAGRAM 2

The scoring area is divided into three sections along the end line and two sections in front of these. Because of the divisions, the plan commonly is called a 2-3 zone.

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As the ball-holder approaches a front zone the guardian rushes out to hurry a pass or hinder a long shot. The others assume places as indicated with only slight changes to cover opponents open for a pass.

great pressure upon the weakest guard.

Zone defenses, on the other hand, are designed to protect their weaker members and, in addition, tend to reduce confusion. In general, the zone plan stations a guard in each of the five areas on the court from which opponents are most likely to score. (The term guard as used in this article applies to any defensive man.) Theoretically each zone guard pays little attention to floor moves of the opposition except insofar as they affect possible shots from or passes through his territory. Emergencies arise, however, where a zone suddenly is loaded with two opponents, one of whom has the ball. Such situations are met by moving a guard from one of the adjoining areas into the threatened zone temporarily.

One of the most popular divisions of the court into zones is shown in accompanying diagrams 2, 3 and 4. Dotted lines indicate the territory assigned to each defensive man. While their exact locations are mostly determined by the position of the ball holder there are some modifications dictated by the threats of the other four opponents.

Strong features of a zone defense

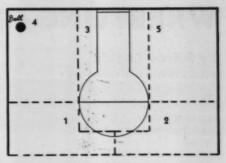


DIAGRAM 3

As the ball is maneuvered down the sideline, 4 moves over to cover the threat while his teammates move a stride or two to stop the possibility of a quick pass and a short shot.

are its ability to stop screen plays; to guard short shots; to capture rebounds; to intercept passes; to avoid confusion; and to be in position for a fast offensive break. This description makes it appear that the style is ideal. Actually, though, it has several vulnerable points which, in the opinions of a majority of coaches, are fatal.

As the size of zones is increased it is obvious that one defensive man cannot defend so well against all threats. Consequently on maximum size courts many leaks are sprung in a zone defense when faced by an accurate and fast passing attack. Any decrease in the size of the court finds the style greatly strengthened. A compact arrangement of the men leaves splendid

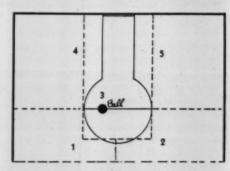


DIAGRAM 4

Movement of the ball to the freethrow area sends 3 to protect while 4 and 5 meet any threat near the basket, and 1 and 2 are in position to "cage" the ball-holder.

Note: First, any cut for the basket by the ball-holder requires him to elude at least two men. Second, any screen play may dislodge one defensive man but leaves another ready for effective guarding.

openings for medium distance or sideline shots; while a spread zone has difficulty in covering shots from the freethrow circle and under the basket.

The greatest weakness of all zone defenses, however, lies in an inability to handle an offense which refuses to bring the ball into scoring territory. Should opponents gain a lead in the score and then keep the ball near the center line a zone defense is helpless.

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WRESTLING-EAST VS. WEST

By Alfred Chakin and Hyman Krakower

This is the first of two articles on wrestling as it is done east and west of the Alleghenies. The authors, instructors in the Department of Hygiene, College of the City of New York, have called upon the moving-picture camera to supplement their text, and this is the first time that this method of illustration has been applied to wrestling. The photography is by Owen Reed, the direction by Mr. Chakin, wrestling coach of the College of the City of New York. The second article, to appear next month, will elaborate on the western style in word and picture.

LACE a wrestling champion of our Eastern colleges in the same room with a wrestling champion of a mid-Western institution, let them grapple and who would emerge the winner?

The chances are overwhelming that the Western boy would win. Win handily, leaving no doubt as to who was the superior wrestler. In all probability he would come out of his match with his Eastern opponent the winner in six minutes by a pin.

Look at the results of the National Collegiate A. A. championships held at Lehigh University last spring. Seven out of the eight champions were wrestlers from the mid-West!

A spectator at these matches, or any other set of bouts between mid-Western and Eastern grapplers, could not fail to become impressed with the decisive style of wrestling used by the boys from Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, and Indiana. If he is a trained observer, and can notice stylistic differences, distinguish the movements and tactics of the Western athletes, follow their rapid attacks and counters, he will reach several interesting conclusions about the wrestling style of Eastern colleges and that practiced in mid-Western institutions. He will not take the superficial stand that the boys of the West are stronger. or huskier, or faster, or in better condition; or that stemming from the corn belt they are naturally superior

Lack of emphasis in Eastern high schools causes difference in method, competence

athletes than city bred boys; he will not say that Westerners have in-born qualities and instinctively wrestle more skilfully. On the contrary, he will conclude that these boys from the Mississippi watershed wrestle according to a system that is vastly different from that followed in the East; and, moreover, that this Western system is invincible.

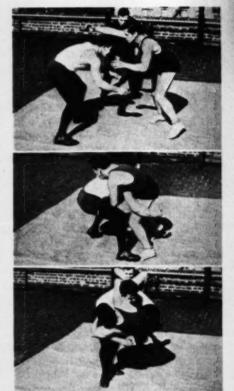
Coaches of wrestlers are aware of the different styles taught in the colleges of the East and mid-West. However, the layman and the amateur follower of sports are not cognizant of this. But that there are two styles, which differ as radically as the Warner system of football differs from the Rockne system, is as true as the further fact that the Western style is preeminent.

It is time that due credit is given to that mid-Western style of wrestling, the most successful method yet developed in the United States, triumphant not only in the N.C.A.A. bouts, but accounting also for the three American victories in the 1932 Olympic Games.

However, we should not stop with mere praise. After all, imitation is the best form of flattery, and it is with a desire to see the style as perfected in the mid-West generally studied, practiced, and imitated wherever wrestling is taught that we shall attempt in this article to explain its principles.

Students of the grappling art know that three distinct styles predominate throughout the world, each enjoying widespread popularity, and each laying claim to a superiority over the

other two. There is the Graeco-Roman style, a hangover of the glory that was Greece and the grandeur that was Rome, which is popular in all countries of





Illus. E1: Eastern Style, Standing Both-leg Lift

A (the aggressor) dives, football fashion, under O's (opponent's) arms, reaches for his legs, places his head to one side and shoulder in arm pit. A lifts O high (this frame missing from the strip, because of space limitations), swings him to the side, and bangs him to the mat, falling on top of him at a right-angle.

Illus. E2: Eastern Style, Standing One Leg Pick Up and Trip

A (the agressor who is in the white jersey throughout the illustrations), feints O off-guard, ducks under and grips O's leg with both arms, hugs the leg to his chest and draws it up, taking pains to keep it outside and wide. A steps forward with the foot on the far side (from his opponent's trapped leg), places his leg in the back of O's on the inside, and pushes forward, forcing O off his feet and back on the mat.



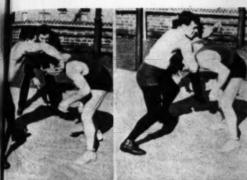








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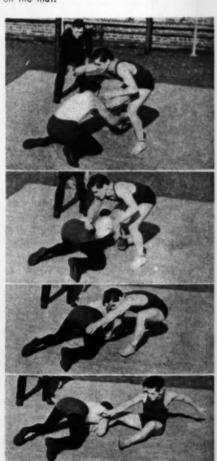


Europe. There is the jiujitsu, or judo, with its Oriental sponsorship and mystery, adapted by Japan into a national style. Finally, the third style, popular in the United States, with devotees throughout the world, the catch-as-catch-can.

Catch-as-catch-can has deep roots in this country. Its popularity in the United States is not an accident, for it may be described as a refinement of

Illus. E4: Eastern Style, Standing Ankle Drop

As in jiujitsu, this hold involves an attack at a point of the body which is inflexible, and therefore cannot give. A, measuring a proper distance, suddenly drops to his knees, simultaneously reaching out with both hands and grabbing O's heels. A moves forward until his shoulder touches O's captive legiust above the ankle. A then pushes with his body in a diagonal direction to the outside, forcing O off balance and to a sitting position on the mat.



the time-honored rough - and - tumble pioneer sport of colonial America. It has always been, and is still the style followed in every section of our country.

First adapted in Eastern states and perfected to a science in Eastern collegiate circles, catchas-catch-can wres-

tling followed the westward movement of the frontier. However, in the course of time, important modifications in the Eastern style were made in the mid-West, so that while it is true to speak of catch-as-catch-can wrestling as the universal American style, yet so radical are the modifications of mid-Western wrestling, that it is now necessary to differentiate between a mid-West style and the Eastern mode.

In the East emphasis is placed upon body holds. Grapplers have been taught, and are being taught in nearly all Eastern schools, to try for holds involving parts of the body above the belt line. On the defense, they are instructed in counters for these holds, and breaks against them. Watch the teams taking the mat from Lehigh, Pean State, Princeton, Navy and Cornell. You will see a grand display of half-nelsons, hammerlocks, head chanceries, arm and crotch holds.

As the sport spread to our mid-Western states, however, emphasis shifted from body tactics to the new leg tactics. Western coaches, unhampered by tradition and eager to experiment with the experienced material which reported as candidates for the freshman team, discovered fine results could be achieved in following this new method. Gradually, school after school accepted it until it became sufficiently developed to win recognition as a distinct style of wrestling. Ask any coach in a mid-Western institution, who knows his body holds as well as leg wrestling, what his opinion is of the two styles. He will in all probability reply that the shift in emphasis from body to leg tactics

Illus. E3: Eastern Style, Standing Head Chancery and Bar Arm

There is not much in college and school wrestling that can be recognized in present-day professional wrestling, but this power nold on the head is something the professionals still use as a handle. It is easily blocked, despite the impression given by professional wrestlers who seem to stick their heads right into it. From the referee's standing position, A jerks O's head forward and clamps on a head chancery. A's other arm slips under O's into a bar arm. A turns his body to the side with the bar arm, twisting O's body correspondingly, until O's balance is lost and he is forced to the mat. On the mat A retains his arm around O's neck and presses down on his chest. By keeping his body at right angle to O's, and obtaining a strong position over O's chest, A has a good position for a fall.

gives the leg wrestler much greater advantage.

The differences in the two styles of wrestling thus narrows down to a difference in emphasis. This doesn't mean that an Eastern matman knows nothing about leg wrestling; neither does it mean that the Western wrestler knows nothing about body holds. In both sections the wrestler taught the catch-as-catch-can learns something about both styles, except that in the East the coaches lay emphasis on the upper-body while in the West it is placed on the lower-body.

However, there is this that must be kept in mind. A wrestler cannot be taught the intricate leg wrestling, the accurate timing and peculiar body-balances of this style, until and unless he has mastered the body holds. Thus we can begin to see why the Western style gives a grappler mastery over the Eastern style. It is the more scientific style. The matman who has acquired that science knows more about wrestling.

To answer the question which naturally arises here, "Why does the Western wrestler know more about wrestling than his Eastern competitor?" we must conduct an investigation into the wrestling background of each in the schools of both sections.

We will skip over the elementary school because in neither section is wrestling taught in the lower grades. However, in the secondary schools we encounter a striking situation which throws much light upon our investigation. We see in the East few high schools with wrestling facilities, offering its grapplers organized and regular competition.



Illus. E6: Eastern Style, On the Mat Wrist Hold with Head at Arm-pit

Here is the head playing a leading part, literally, in the application of force. A's hand, which in the referee's position, as shown, is at the elbow, slips' down to O's wrist while his head nestles under O's arm-pit. A now pushes forward as he draws O's right arm back and pulls him over on to his side with the waist hold. A keeps O in this off-balance position by tightening the waist hold, maintaining his head at the arm-pit, and remaining on his knees.

Not so in the West. There we find wrestling an important sport in many high schools. Trained coaches lead the activity and teach the raw-boned, growing boys a great deal about wrestling. In many mid-Western high schools it is a major sport, in which numbers of boys participate and take an active interest. Keen competition exists within the school making it a lively, colorful intra-mural activity. Dual meets with rival institutions are regularly conducted.

Interesting, in this connection, is a pertinent survey of wrestling among the high schools in the United States by B. E. Wiggins,² a member of the national rules committee. According

to his report, five mid-Western states* conduct state high school championships in wrestling. It is not necessary to comment further upon the wide scope and extent of organized wrestling in the high schools of that section. Regarding wrestling among the high schools in Eastern states the survey shows that only one state conducts a state tournament.†

The result of the indifference to high school wrestling in the East, and the popularity of it in the mid-West, is to be seen in the ranks of freshman wrestlers the college coach inherits in Oklahoma, let us say, as opposed to Connecticut. With most of his men, the Eastern college coach is required to give a great deal of time teaching the rudiments—the principles of bal-

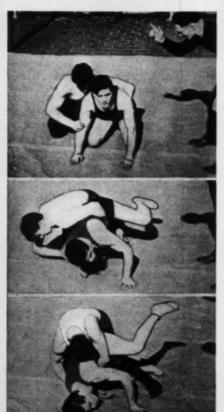
²B. E. Wiggins, A Survey of the Extent of High School Wrestling in the United States, The Research Quarterly of the American Physical Education Association, Vol. V, No. 3, (Oct. 1934), pp. 123-126.

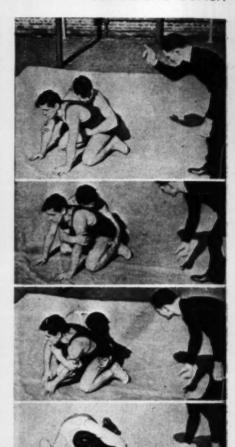
*They are: Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, Oklahoma and Nebraska—all under the auspices of their state high school athletic associations.

†Rhode Island. This is not an official state championship of the Rhode Island interscholastic athletics governing body (Rhode Island Association of Secondary School Principals), but an invitation affair sponsored by Brown University.

Illus. E5: Eastern Style, On the Mat Near Arm and Waist Hold

A, in using this hold, is striving to improve his advantage. The near arm and waist hold will take O off his hands and knees and place him in a less favorable defensive position. From the referee's position on the mat, A tightens his grip around O's waist, at the same time twisting the near arm in to make it buckle under. This twisting and consequent buckling has weakened O's support on one side, permitting A to force his opponent to the mat on that side.





Illus. E7: Eastern Style, On the Mat Further Arm and Thigh Hold

Another hold designed to improve A's top advantage. From the top position, A reaches in and across for the further arm, grasping it above the elbow. A's other arm is shifted from O's waist to the thigh. Now A drops his body so that his chest is against O's hip. He drives straight ahead, turning O on his side while maintaining his own prone position. The entire series of moves on A's part must be executed swiftly, for the hold is one that leaves the aggressor open for a near-arm roll.

ance, the fundamental standing and mat positions, and the methods of leverage. Having to give so much time to elementary instruction explains the Eastern college coach's tendency toward upper-body wrestling. Realizing that he must develop men who must be ready to shift for themselves in competition within the short space of three years, and often in but one or two years, the Eastern coach concentrates his instruction on those holds in which the use of the arms, shoulders and body muscles play the major role, those parts of the body which lend themselves to quicker development in wrestling skills.

This specialized training shows itself when an Eastern man competes on the mat. Watch his movements. He advances cat-like toward his opponent. He moves cautiously with slow, short steps, carefully maintaining his balance. He is on guard against a quick

1"... much credit must go to the coaches of the high schools of Oklahoma who have organized competition so thoroughly and taught their charges so efficiently in the fundamentals of skill and sportsmanship."—George M. Trautman, Editor, Intercollegiate Wrestling Guide, published in the Foreword, Official 1934-35 Intercollegiate Wrestling Guide, Spalding's Athletic Library.

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(Above)—EII: Eastern Style, Fall Position Shoulder Stand

A hold requiring body power and skillful balancing. With O on his side, A raises one of O's legs and props his own underneath it. He places his arm around O's neck and presses his body against O's raised leg, knotting O into a fall. A's drive originates in his toes, a point clearly shown above.

thrust at his legs, while he is equally alert for an opening inviting a quick plunge for his opponent's legs. After a brief period of sparring he will probably fall into the standing referee's position and from that hold begin his efforts to bring his adversary to the mat.

In the standing position, the Eastern wrestler seldom attempts to get behind his opponent. He does not attempt this simple tactic because he is not familiar with the necessary maneuvers. He is untrained in those holds which require precision of movement, split-second timing, and dexterity. Instead, he resorts to holds in which mere strength carries the punch. Anyone who is either trained in the Eastern mode of wrestling or has frequented the Eastern bouts knows that in the usual match the most common and conventional holds tried from the standing position are the two-leg lift (Illus. E1, page 8), the one-leg pick up and trip (Illus. E2, page 8), the head chancery and bar arm (Illus. E3, page 9), and the ankle drop (Illus. E4, page 9). In these holds skill, timing and coordination are essential factors, of course, yet strength plays the controlling and decisive part.

In the mat positions the Eastern wrestler shows the same predilection for strength holds. As he works from a top position, he attempts to throw his man off his hands and knees by resorting to a series of holds requiring mainly the strength resident in the arms and body muscles. He uses the wrist lock with his head placed at his opponent's arm pit (Illus. E6); he changes to the further arm and thigh hold (Illus. E7); he tries the near arm twist and waist pull (Illus. E5); or he attempts a further thigh and ankle hold (Illus. E8).

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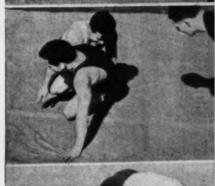


(Above)—E10 Eastern Style, Fall Position Half Nelson and Wrist Lock

This is the most common hold used for the pin in Eastern wrestling. Obtaining the half nelson, A raises O's arm, places his body to the top, and applies pressure, using O's arm as a lever. The wrist lock prevents O from bracing himself against the turn.









(Above)—E9: Eastern Style, Fall Position Body Press

This hold illustrates well the use of the body as a pinning force. To keep O's shoulder to the mat A must place his chest directly over O's chest, his body at right angles to his opponent's, and the feet spread apart. This places the full force of his weight on O, and prevents O from raising his shoulders.

balance and flattens him, he follows up his advantage by keeping his weight on his rival's hips, his arms seeking wrist locks, crotch or ankle holds to prevent his opponent from regaining the more strategic position on hands and knees which offers better balance and a freer use of arms and legs.

The principle involved in all these holds is that the region of the hips is the heaviest part of the body, and in this region is located the center of gravity of the body. With a wrist lock and a crotch or ankle hold, the top-man forces the center of gravity closer to the mat, thereby completely upsetting his adversary's balance. By placing his weight on his opponent's hip the top-man clinches his position and prevents the under-man from regaining his equilibrium.

The same emphasis is observed by the Eastern wrestler working for a fall. Now he uses holds which require either brute strength or, finding that ineffective for gaining his objective, he tries for a hold which enables him to utilize his strength more potently through the application of an appropriate principle of leverage.

It is this emphasis on power and brawn which accounts for the fact that the majority of falls in Eastern wrestling bouts are gained by the body press (Illus. E9), the half nelson and far wrist lock (Illus. E10), and the shoulder stand (Illus. E11).

(Left)—E8: Eastern Style, On the Mat Further Thigh and Ankle Hold

The long-body type of wrestler, and others when they take an elongated position on the mat, are vulnerable to this attack. A changes from a position parallel to O to one that is more at right angles to him. A swings his arm under O's body and grasps the further thigh while he releases his waist hold and grips the further ankle. Now using his body as a ramrod, A charges into O, foreing him over on the side.

FAKE PASS TO CONFUSE GUARDS. Player 5 crosses with hands outstretched to receive pass from 3 who, watching the action of the guards out of the corner of his eye, fakes the pass and retains the ball for a dribble to the right if he sees that the guards have not switched, and have jammed. Note the drag-dribble by 3 in the last picture. In the pictures on the opposite page 3 uses other tactics on the fake-pass play.

COACHES' ASSOCIATIONS

News and comment from high school coaches' associations

Indiana

OACHES and officials in the southern part of the state have joined together in the Southern Indiana Coaches' and Officials' Association. There is a need for bringing coaches and officials into a better understanding of one another, and the formation of this association is regarded as a step in that direction. The group's first activity was a basketball clinic held at Central H.S., Evansville, on Nov. 7, at which Everett Dean, Indiana U. basketball coach, was the principal speaker.

At this point the column for this month is placed in the hands of A. B. "Abe" Masters, football and basketball coach at Jefferson H.S., Lafayette, whose eleven, at the time of going to press, had rolled up a 22-game winning streak.

MARK C. WAKEFIELD, Evansville H.S.

Coaching at Lafayette has a distinct advantage: we enjoy the benefits that come from close proximity to a university whose coaching staff is most cooperative in helping us. We are very much indebted to the football coaching staff of Purdue University, namely Messrs. Kizer, Elward, Mackey, Purivs, Fehring and Burnham.

Messrs. Kizer, Elward, Mackey, Purivs, Fehring and Burnham.
You know how boys love to imitate. Growing up as they do in an atmosphere of high grade university athletic performance, our boys take to the game so naturally that I sometimes have grave concern over their need for coaching! Purdue furnishes the models they like to follow, and if they follow them closely enough what more could a coach ask?

An idea we got from Elmo Lingrel of Middletown, O., probably helps us quite a bit in teaching skill in execution of football fundamentals. Mr. Lingrel picks out boys who are particularly adept in the execution of some fundamental, and lets them teach it to the other boys. We use this plan and find that boys learn faster and that those who serve as teachers improve the most. One thing we have noticed is that the beginner will relax and ask questions of his teacher-teammates, where he will not do so of the coach if he is standing over him and criticizing him. Of course, care must be exercised in choosing the teachers, lest it become a farce.

We work quite a lot on blocking. It is no uncommon sight for us when we reach our field (which is two miles from our dressing room) to see all the footballs lying in a pile and the boys paired off and working on the three kinds of blocks that we teach: the shoulder body and reverse body block

der, body and reverse body block.

We have two blocking drills, one for backs and one for linemen.

In both drills the offensive men huddle and choose the play, then run either direction inside or outside different defensive players, or in between them. We rotate players and thereby get practice on offense and defense.

Naturally, we try to use the Notre Dame system of offense, since that is what we see oftenest in Lafayette. We also use a punt formation from which we run either way. We try to keep our plays simple and the line assignments similar on different plays. Of course, this is not always possible. With our punt formation, the kick is used as much as possible as an offensive weapon, depending on the ability of the kicker.

We do not practice as hard as perhaps some teams do. We scrimmage very little. The nature and length of our practices depend on the experience of our boys. Last year's eleven practiced twice a week after the third game of the season. However, it was an exceptional group of boys with an outstanding quarterback and leader. This year's team practiced more frequently. I think that most high school teams are overworked.

We have been fortunate in having few injuries. This may be attributed to the fact that we do not drive our players much, use good equipment and a lot of adhesive tape.

A. B. MASTERS

North Dakota

HEN Jimmy Grubbs caught a pass from the hand of Vernie Runnestrand, in the try for point following a touchdown by the latter, he gave Minot High School the point necessary to defeat Bismarck, 7-to-6, and his team the first claim to the state football championship in the history of the school. Coach Glenn Jarrett's team piled up 209 points to the opponents' 36 in victories over eight strong teams in this state. In spite of the fact that the Bismarck game was won by one point and the Minot Model- H.S. game by two points, perhaps the toughest assignment was in toppling the powerful Grafton team, 13-to-6.

As a result of its record the Minot team accepted the invitation to play the champion of South Dakota in the first Dakota championship at Aberdeen, South Dakota, on Thanksgiving Day, to be reported on this page next month. The Sombrero Day affair, so called because the governor of the state on the losing side will present the governor of the winner with a new 10-gallon hat, is the first of its kind to be held and has done much to add interest to the football season in both states.

Coach L. C. McMahon's "Braves" of Mandan enjoyed a good season with no defeats but with two ties on the books, and one game left to play as this is written. Marty Engh's Wahpeton team turned in a similar record, no defeats, two ties. The Lidgerwood H.S. team, coached by Leo May, had an unusually good season, with no losses, one tie. Leo Schweinfurt's Grafton team and Minot Model, coached by W. D. Allen, had only defeats by the Minot Magicians to mar their records.

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At a recent meeting of the State H.S. League in charge of athletics the following rule was passed: "No student having attained the eighteenth anniversary of his birth shall participate in any interscholastic contest after his eighth semester in high school or after the seventh if this eighth does not follow consecutively after his seventh." The rule will take effect with the start of the basketball season. Another important ruling passed at this meeting extended the membership of Class A schools to all high schools with an enrollment of 250 or more. This will increase the number of entries in Class A from 8 to 12. This necessitates a three-day basketball tournament and marks the first time that more than eight teams have been allowed in the state championship play-off. Schools that will come into Class A under the new arrangement are: Williston, Grafton, Dickinson, and Wahpeton.

To have six-man football champs

Six-man football promises to become a popular sport in the small towns of North Dakota. The Barnes County League, organized by Jim Morrison, coach of Valley City Teachers College, has enjoyed a successful season. The Northwest North Dakota Conference has a committee to start "the ball rolling" next fall. The Consolidated High School League has taken steps to name a state champion of six-man teams next fall, either on a percentage basis or in tournament play.

L. A. White, superintendent of Minot Schools, was recently re-elected by the High School League to his position on the Board of Control. He has been on the board and secretary of the League for a period of

The Coaches' Association is organizing units in each of the 16 basketball districts. Northwest North Dakota has already set up such a group with officers as follows: President, H. L. Robertson, Minot H.S.; vice-president, J. W. Coleman, Minot Teachers College; and secretary-treasurer, Glenn Iverson, Berthold. It is the intention of these sectional groups to hold regular meetings of coaches and officials to discuss rules and the technique of officiating games.

A committee of coaches has been selected by the North Dakota H.S. League to investigate the possibility of maintaining a list of approved officials for the state.

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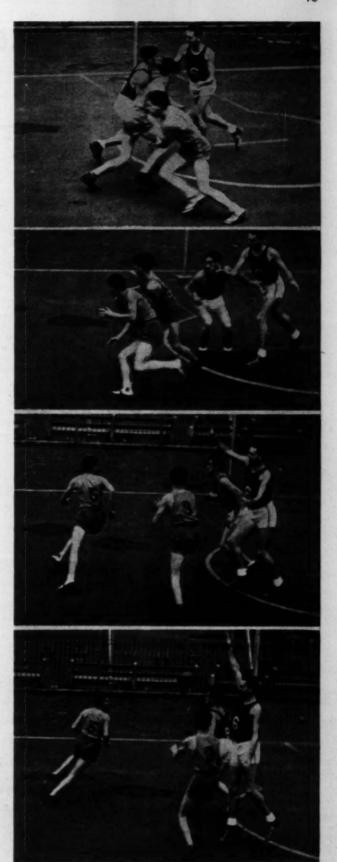
Texas

HE University of Texas Interscholastic League, recognized as one of the most efficient high school organizations in the nation, supervised football in 531 Texas high schools this season, all playing interscholastic ball.

The teams are grouped in three classes: Class A, with student bodies of 500 or more; Class B, with student bodies of 150 to 500; and Class C with less than 150 students. Any team is permitted to play in a higher bracket than its enrollment indicates but may not play in a lower class.

The Class A teams are divided into 16 geographical districts, the championship of which is decided entirely by the district committee by the Saturday after Thanksgiving regardless of ties or anything else. These 16 district champions play an elimination tournament (three successive Saturdays), with the final being played during the Christmas holidays.

The Class B elevens are divided into 40 districts. Four districts are then combined into a region, and a re- [Continued on page 26]



A VARIATION OF THE MANEUVER ON THE OP-POSITE PAGE. As 5 crosses over with outstretched hands, 3 again fakes the pass to him. Noting that the guards show some signs of switching, 3 and 5 will pull a play out of the hat that will free 5 from nine out of ten switching guards. 3 makes a 3/4-pivot on his left foot, as 5 swerves around close to 3, who holds the ball between them in concealment. 5 receives pass, cutting.

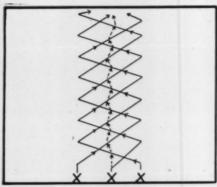
BUILDING THE BASKETBALL MACHINE

By Archie R. Chadd

The coach of the Indiana state champions gives the details of his early work-outs

Mr. Chadd's Anderson High School team won the 1935-36 championship of basketball's "capital state"—Indiana. The author got his basketball schooling under Tony Hinkle at Butler University, with whom he has continued association, helping him put on the Hinkle system at summer coaching schools. Mr. Chadd will have another article next month, and in this he will explain the workings of the machine, complete and in operation.

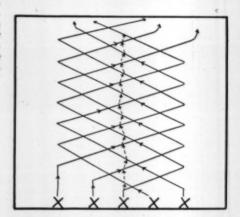
BASKETBALL machine is built on the same basic principles as all other machines: each component part must be evened and tempered to carry efficiently the load of its individual assignment. This is somewhat of a contradiction to the usual advice that coaches should "make the system fit the players, not the players fit the system." I believe that, with boys who have an aptitude for basketball and respond favorably to coaching, they can be "evened and tempered" to fit into the system in which the coach and they have confi-



DIAG. I. Well-known practice drill for inculcating habits of passing and ball-handling at top speed, and timing of cuts. The center man has the ball at the start at one end of the floor, and passes to either of the side men cutting in front of him: in this case the one to his right. The passer then cuts diagonally behind the man he passed to, and then cuts back into the line of play, timing his cut so that he comes in in stride to receive the ball from the third man. A shot is taken at the end by the man cutting closest to the basket.

dence. This is the only sense that I have in mind in the use of the term "machine." I don't mean to suggest that our players, after I am through with them, have no thinking to do. Indeed, they have a lot more to do, and fourfold more choices and decisions to make in the flash of basketball's moments, than they ever would be called upon to make were they to play their basketball untouched by "machine methods." Enough theorizing. Let us get down to business.

We don't permit our basketball players on the floor until football is out of the way, early in November. This eliminates overlapping the sports with the danger of dividing the interest.



DIAG. 2. Here five men are brought into the drill, the passer cutting behind two men. The ball moves in a more or less straight line (broken lines show path of ball, solid lines paths of players), and the players must cut toward the sidelines and regulate the distance of their cut so as not to retard the speed of the drill. When the ball is fumbled or dropped, the same players should be required to pick up the drill from that point, the advance men returning in line and the drill resuming from the point of the fumble.

Drag dribble

In the drag dribble the dribbler keeps his body between the opponent attempting to guard him and the ball. Through this medium competent dribblers can advance the ball close to the basket under circumstances when openings for other options have failed to present themselves. The dribbler "dragging" does not have for his objective a shot at the basket for himself, but a position from which he can initiate a renewed and closer passing attack. In these pictures the dribbler is dribbling with his right hand because of the angle at which he is moving from the left side of the court through his freethrow arc. A right-hand dribble here affords him much better protection than would a left-hand dribble. The latter would be used were he moving in the opposite direction at a similar angle. In Diag, 3 at the top of the facing page the dribblers going in from the left are to dribble with their left hand: they would be guarded on their right side because of the direct line they are beating to the basket. Below the dribbler is off at another tangent, and his objective is a pivot-post position on the right side of his freethrow lane. Note his use of the left arm. It is being made to serve for protection while it is kept free of contact with the defensive man. Drag-dribblers are usually not so observant of this point, for they know that this is the sort of foul easily concealed from the referee. Even more important than in the unguarded dribble is the need for keeping the bounces low.







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The basketball men report for the first practice about November 8. They report as their respective classes are called, such as sophomore, junior, and senior, giving every boy in school an opportunity to report. Each class works for 90 minutes for two days on ball-handling and shooting at the basket before a cut in the squad is made.

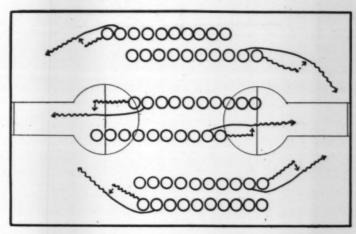
The first two days of practice we spend in ball-handling and footwork, organizing a group of fifty to eighty boys in the manner shown in Diag. 3.

We use four groups of ten boys—two groups on each side of the floor utilizing each basket, and sometimes we put an additional twenty boys in the center of the court, ten working at each bas-

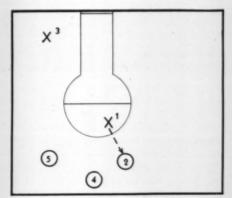
ket, thus using thirty boys at each basket, putting in action sixty boys, as Diaq. 3 shows. Ball-handling and footwork show up in this drill. As the more efficient boys stand out, their names are checked and at the close of the practice for the second day, the boys are told by posting a list on the practice bulletin board those who are to return for the third day.

Using thirty boys driving at each basket may appear dangerous but to date we have not had a boy injured in this work. I feel that perhaps the only advantage in using a large group at each basket is that the boys learn to protect themselves.

We use two assistant coaches while working fifty or more boys, as we want the mistakes corrected as they take place. We do not use student assistants.



DIAG. 3. Accommodating 60 players in a drill that brings into play skill in handling the ball and footwork. The players in each line work in twos. The first player, holding the ball in his position in line, fakes a dribble to the inside, then drag-dribbles toward the basket, coming to a stop half-way to the basket with his inside leg advanced. He pivots toward the sideline on his rear foot, and hands a quarterback pass to his trailer coming along at top speed. The trailer drives right through the ball, taking it from the first man without stopping, and drives right on to the basket as fast as he can dribble. Players in lines on the left (as they face the basket toward which they are moving) should use the left hand in dribble; those in lines on the right, the right hand. This is to keep the ball removed from the imaginary guard, with the dribbler using his body as a screen between guard and ball.



DIAG. 4. Defensive drill. XI and X3 are defensive men working on a man-to-man basis against any two of the three offensive players, 2, 4 and 5. XI has the ball and, to start the drill, passes it to 2, from a short distance so that XI can be in a good defensive position on 2 when the pass reaches him. If XI throws the ball to 2 from a distance, 2 will get his shot away and XI will derive no good from the exercise. If the ball is passed from

In making this first cut of the squad we disregard the size of the boys entirely. We are most concerned with individual cleverness and basketshooting ability. This first select group will number approximately 85 to 100 boys, necessitating three practice periods for the third day with approximately 30 boys working each period.

This third day of practice should be a strenuous one. With only 30 boys to handle, each boy should be kept moving with special emphasis on cutting for the basket from various angles. On this day, if the practice has been successful at the close of one hour of real work, the boys will show fatigue with a tendency to run lightly—not slow up, but rather lighten their steps,

which is an indication of tender feet. This is the time for some teamwork rather than individ- [Turn to next page]

XI to 2 at close range, 2 has an opportunity to shoot long, fake a shot and dribble to basket going around XI on either side into the basket or going around on either side starting a dribble to basket, stopping suddenly and shooting if XI has a tendency to overrun his position. XI tries to recover the ball before 2 makes the basket. If XI recovers the ball, he passes to X3 who is calling for the ball as he would if he were the teammate of XI in a regular game. If 2 recovers the rebound, 2 shoots again or passes to 4 or 5 who are his teammates and the exercise starts again involving X3 and 4 or 5 according to the one who receives the ball. While XI is guarding 2, 4 and 5 are watching for mistakes that 2 may make in attempting to score on XI. At the same time X3 is watching for mistakes made by XI. Only one basket is used in this exercise. Three offensive men are preferred to two in order to prevent the defensive men working against the same offensive men throughout the exercise.









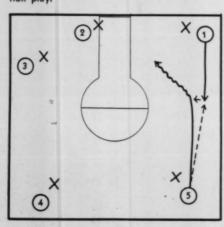
ual play so we bring in the "three man pass" drill shown in Diag. 1. This drill, and the one in Diag. 2, have been published a thousand times if once, and are no doubt familiar to all coaches, but I am including them here because the editor has asked me to "tell all" of what we do, and I am loath to omit anything under this injunction.

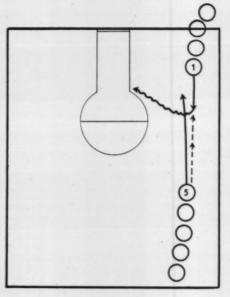
Drills as shown in Diag. I and 2 we find very good with which to close a strenuous practice any time during the season, especially following a lot of individual work. In drills of this type the boys forget themselves and think of the other fellow. At the same time they are handling the ball, cutting for the basket, timing their cuts. These drills also teach the boys to handle the ball at top speed. These are good drills for conditioning, for the loafer is easily spotted.

The same boys finishing the third day of practice report the fourth and fifth days to find an altogether different type of play in store for them, namely, volleyball. Many coaches may disagree with me, but we find that playing volleyball during our early season training is quite beneficial. It serves as a relief from the main business at hand, and, what is very important, gives the blisters a chance to heal. This is most necessary with us, and I doubt that our boys are more tender-footed than the next school's! We inspect the feet of our players regularly, and paint the soles with tincture of benzoin, then apply two thicknesses of tape before each practice. We never allow the players to wear two pairs of socks.

By the sixth day of practice we have made every effort to diminish the squad to 60 boys with two practice periods, two hours devoted to 30 boys in each group. These two groups con-

DIAG. 6. Here are the five floor positions for the system of interchanging the three front men, 1, 2 and 3, by screen plays, with the 4 and 5 men entering into the play but always returning to their stations. (See article). Having the players walk through the plays is a good method of teaching interchanging position play.



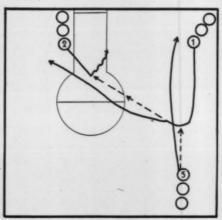


DIAG. 5. The I and 5 men are the first two men used in developing the system. Hence this drill to help pick the best men for the positions. No. 5 passes in to No. I, and follows his pass. No. I's first option is a direct return pass (quarterback pass) to 5, either inside or outside. 5 can conceal the side on which he will pass I by heading in one direction, then suddenly cutting in the other as he nears I. In this diagram, 5 passes to the inside, and I elects to keep the ball and dribble in at a diagonal behind 5's screen. 5 never continues toward the basket unless he receives the pass from I. When he doesn't, as in the above, he goes into I's corner, and swings back into his own regular position. See diagrams below for return pass by I, and other developments.

tinue to work daily until January 15, at which time we start concentrating on tournament play. During this period of work the number of boys will vary from 20 to 30 in each group.

Starting the sixth day of practice we try to impress the boys with the value of individual cleverness, both offensively and defensively. The strength of a team is in the ability of each in-

DIAG. 7. The 2 man is brought into the proceedings, I having declined his first option on 5 and his second option of a dribble by himself. I, after passing to 2 who pulls out. 2 may return pass to I on the inside as a first possibility. In this diagram I passes to the outside and takes 3's position. (See article.)

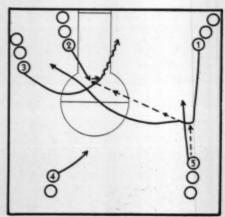


dividual member of it. This is especially true when speaking from a defensive viewpoint if the defense is of the man-for-man type as is used by the majority of teams throughout the middle-west. I am frank when I say that 60 percent of the practice time each day for the first 60 days of our season is spent working on drills for our individuals on defense. The fact that offense in any sport is more natural leads me to the conviction that the greater part of the time spent should be given to the more unnatural aspect of play. We stress defense beginning the second week and continue to do so throughout the season. The drill shown in Diag. 4 is used in our practice at least three days each week.

We teach the glide as a means of footwork for individual defense and emphasize the position relative to the opponent being guarded and his basket. The defensive man must always be between his opponent and the basket. The position of the defensive man cannot be emphasized too much. While working on our offensive drill which may include 2, 3, or even a 5-man interchange, defensive men are used to make the situation real, and we insist that each defensive man play his part as though he were in a real game.

The offensive style of play employed by the Anderson team of last season was designed from the pivot style, interchanging only the three men in the front court. Many coaches use a system of interchanging five men but I am convinced that the five-man interchanging system requires too much time for development for the average high school boy. In this system too much time is required for execution of detail, and the system becomes too complicated for the amount of time that can be devoted to it aside from ball-handling and development

DIAG. 8. Bringing into the offense the 5 man is the most intricate part of the play, and should not be undertaken until the use of the 2 man has been mastered. The 3 man cuts to the right of 2 after 2 has failed to play on 1. The developments from this point are explained in the article.



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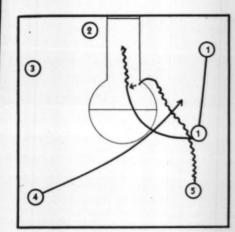
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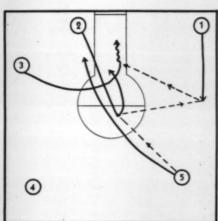
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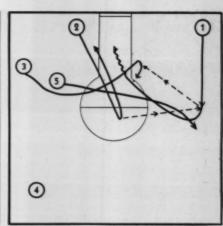
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DIAG. 9. These three diagrams take up the options that follow when 5 does not pass the ball in to 1, but as 1 comes out of the corner, takes advantage of the screen created by I and drives toward the basket. In this diagram 5 starts, gets about half-way in and is cut off. Then he pivots and looks for 4 coming across behind him as a trailer. When 4 does this he forms a screen for I to utilize, which I does here, cutting down through the center of the lane, taking a quarterback pass from 5. If 5's guard goes to cover 1, 5 must anticipate this move, and take advantage of it by dribbling in or shooting.

DIAG. 10. In event 5 cannot pass to 1 and is unable to drive by his defensive man, he chooses to pass to 2 who comes out to meet the ball. 5, after passing to 2 drives around 2 for a return pass but does not get the ball. 5 starts backing out to his regular position. While 5 is doing this, I moves up his side of the court, takes pass from 2, who faked ball to 5. 2, after passing to 1 starts for his regu-lar position. Thus 5 and 2 form a double en for 3 who cuts through the center lane for the basket, taking ball from 1. If the play has a tendency toward bad timing so that 2 is forced to hold the ball in the lane close to three seconds, have 2 come out to meet the pass outside the freethrow circle until the timing is improved.

DIAG. 11. If 3 fails to get into the basket after taking the ball from 1, he may stop on the right of the freethrow lane, pivot, and give return pass to 1 who may be freed from his guard by a screen setup by 5 and 5 re-turns to his regular position. Now if 1 cannot get in see Diag. 12 below.

of individual cleverness. In event the five boys are old enough and experienced to the point where work on individuality is unnecessary and all time can be devoted to teamplay, I feel that the five-man interchanging sys-

screen plays involving the backcourt

men, 4 and 5, with the backcourt men

always returning to their positions,

can be used effectively. This system

must be built by the use of drills to

develop each part, starting with two

men and bringing into play additional

men as the system develops. The first

two men to use in developing this sys-

tem should be the 1 and 5 men, using

a two-man offense. As 5 passes to 1,

5 is the first option for 1 to play on,

with a return pass. 5 never continues

under the basket unless he receives the

ball from 1. If he does not receive the

ball he goes into the corner vacated by

1 and swings back out to his regular

position. If 5 does not give the ball

to 1 he takes advantage of the screen

created automatically by 1, and goes

as far as possible by the use of his

own cleverness. (Diags. 9, 10, 11, 12

elaborate on these further develop-

Since these are the first two men

used in developing this system, we use

the drill in Diag. 6. As many as four

men may be used to alternate in these

positions while searching for the

proper men for each position. This

same drill is used on the opposite side

of the court to develop the 3 and 4

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men, for their play is very similar to that of 1 and 5.

> general ball-handling. After a satisfactory degree of efficiency is acquired by 5 and 1, bring in the 2 man who is the most logical man for 1 to play on if he passes up 5 and does not choose to use his own cleverness. (See Diag. 7) If 1 passes to 2 and goes to the outside, he takes

Do not expect to accomplish efficiency in this overnight. I am encouraged if my boys achieve a degree of efficiency after three weeks' work. Skills to develop in this drill are passing, timing, cutting, dribbling and

the position of 3 who moves up the DIAG. 12. This shows an option by I in event he received ball from 3 but cannot get in. I may pass to 2 while 3 is screening for 5.
I continues toward 2 after he passes to 2 forming a screen for 2 to come around. 2

may pass to 5 coming in or pass back to 4 who is in his regular position. (2)

side of the court to obtain a more effective cutting angle. 2 may returnpass to 1 as first possibility or use a pivot shot for second possibility or dribble to side of court ready to play on 5, who has returned to his regular position. During the play of 5 to 1 to 2, the 4 man is awaiting an opportunity to enter the play through the center lane to the basket but he must be absolutely sure of an opening before

The bringing into the offense of the 3 man is the most intricate part of the play, and a thoroughness in the use of the 2 man must be obtained before an attempt is made to use the drill in Diag. 8. If this part is taught slowly and thoroughly much confidence will be established and time will be saved in the end.

In this drill (Diag. 8) the 3 man cuts to the right of 2 after 2 has failed to play on 1. 2 may play on 3 as 3 cuts by or may fake and pass to him while 3 is moving to position of 1. If this occurs, 2 drops back to his regular position and affords an opening for 4 or 5 to come through. If 4 or 5 cannot get open, 1 and 2 exchange, with 1 sure to be open for the pass from 3 holding the ball on the opposite side of the court, and the same series of plays is ready for execution again.

The options are very simple if taught slowly and each one mastered thoroughly. Know the men as to their position and emphasize the fact that 4 and 5 may interchange with each other but never 1, 2, and 3 with 4 or 5. This system possesses options too numerous to mention in our article. It is equally balanced for quick defensive setting if necessary. It may be reversed from one side of the court to the other.

tem is the type to employ. In Diag. 6, a system interchanging the three front court men, namely 1, 2, and 3, working in a system of

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL RULES, 1935-1936

By Wilhelmine E. Meissner

The charging rule is clarified, and here are some photographs of its fine points

Miss Meissner, a member of the Committee on Women's Basketball of the American Physical Education Assn., serves as official interpreter of the rules for the Committee. Readers desiring clarification of rules not covered in this article (which deals mainly with rules changes for 1935-36), are invited to send their questions to Miss Meissner at Flushing High School, Flushing, Long Island, N. Y A stamped, self-addressed return envelope should accompany the letter of inquiry.

HE girls' basketball rules for 1935-36 contain a number of significant, rather than important. changes. The Committee on Women's Basketball has done nothing to alter radically the game as it was played last season, and the few changes that have been made are intended to facilitate the administration of the game by the officials and to provide players and coaches with a more satisfactory solution to some of the problems of interpretations. And in the case of the new rule on the bounce (Rule 4, Div. C, Sec. 2), a penalty has been eliminated which was deemed superfluous. It had heretofore been a violation for a player who bounced the ball to allow it, either by accident or design, to touch the floor more than once before she recovered it. It is hardly ever to a player's advantage to do this. The maneuver, in the future, will carry its own penalty without aid from the rule book, for any player who indulges in it will soon discover that there are few better ways of giving the ball to the opponents.

Before commenting on the accompanying photographs, illustrating sev-

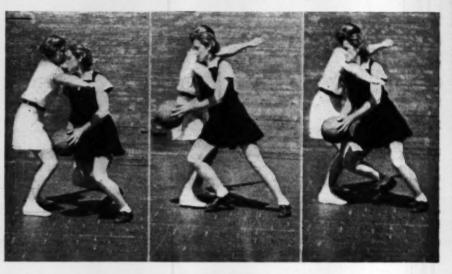


ILLUSTRATION A

CHARGING: The player with the ball is guilty of charging into arms of the defensive player, whose position with outstretched arms is legal in this instance (when guarding an opponent who has possession of the ball). Note the difference between this foul, which

eral of the fine points of the clarified charging rule and one pertaining to the obstructing rule (Illus. C), I should like to give the summary of the major rules changes for 1935-36 as they appear in the Basketball Guide:*

RULE 3

Division A, Sec. 5 (2), p. 8 Both Referee and Umpire are authorized to take "Time-Out."

Division C, Sec. 2 (4), p. 11 Coach may request Umpire to change position of players on floor.

is on the ball-carrier, and the foul of "obstructing" on the part of the defensive player, shown in Illustration C on the opposite page. And also the difference between the above and Illustration D, where neither player is guilty of a foul.

RULE 4

Division C, Sec. 2, p. 16.
A fumbled ball, or a bounced ball, may be legally recovered after it has bounced more than once.

Division F, Sec. 2,b, p. 20

Further clarification of "Charging."

RULE 7

Section 4, p. 24
Two "Time-Outs" of one minute each.

RULE 9

Section 2, p. 27
Forward fouled against is to take her own Free-Throw. When Center or Guard is fouled against, either Forward may take Free-Throw.

RULE 10

Division B, Sec. 3, p. 32

If two or more players on a team are disqualified, and there are no substitutes to replace them, the game shall be discontinued. If such team is ahead. the score shall be 2-0 (forfeited to opponents). Otherwise, the score shall stand.

Division C, Sec. 2,b, p. 35 On "Center Throw," player may hold ball in center circle only three seconds.

RULE 11

Section 1,a, p. 38
On a Free-Throw, players may not cross Free-Throw line, or lanes, until the ball has left the hands of player taking the Free-Throw.

The nuances of charging are many, and open to as many shades of interpretation. The Committee on Women's

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ILLUSTRATION B

BLOCKING: A form of blocking which is all too often overlooked by officials. Most players and officials recognize blocking if the defensive player stands with arms extended before her opponent, or if she faces her opponent and jockeys so that the opponent can-not pass. Obviously both of these methods of

restricting the movement of an opponent who has not the ball is illegal. But the maneuver below, in which the defensive player in white jockeys from side to side to block the path of the player in the dark uniform, is an equal violation of the blocking rule even though the defensive player has not extended her arms.







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Basketball has attempted to reduce the liability of misinterpretation, and to bring about a more uniform application of the interpretation the Committee has in mind, by further clarifying the definition of charging, so that it now reads:

b. Charging is a play in which a player with the ball, or one in the act of bouncing or juggling, makes contact with the body of an opponent with either body or ball. This play includes a player with ball attempting to evade opponent by pushing ball against opponent, but does not include accidentally brushing without roughness, the hands or arms of said opponent. A player in possession of the ball may be guarded in any legal manner. When the guarded player attempts to pivot, bounce, or juggle (unless she can avade her guarding player), she is "Charging." If, however, the defensive player persists in maintaining a guarding position after the ball has been released by her opponent, the defensive player is "Blocking."

With the help of the best pictures of girls' basketball action it has ever been my pleasure to see,† we can attempt here to bring this rule to apply to situations as close to life as they can be brought through the medium of photographs.

In Illustration A (opp. page) is shown a case of charging, unmistakable. Here the player with the ball, guarded by an opponent in "a legal manner," has gone beyond "accidental brushing without roughness, the hands or arms of said opponent." The ball-car-

rier is definitely pushing against the arm of her opponent, and in addition is bearing into the guard's right side, while still retaining possession of the ball. Having possession of the ball affects this particular situation only so far as it entitles the de-

fensive player to assume the guarding position. Were the ball-holder, in Illustration A, to get rid of the ball before she made her charging contact with the guard, the responsibility would still be hers for causing the roughness. But if the contact caused by her brushing by the guard's arm is negligible (Illustration D), and it is apparent that she is attempting to avoid the contact, and if she then gets rid of the ball and finds herself entrapped in the guard's rigid arms-in this case the personal foul is on the guard for obstruction. Such a situation is shown in Illustration C.

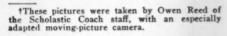
As stated in the rules: "Obstructing is impeding, by the use of personal contact, the progress of the player who has started to advance the ball by means of a bounce, juggle or pivot." Illustration C is a case in point.

There is a difference between obstructing and blocking. "Blocking is impeding the progress of an opponent who has not the ball."

ILLUSTRATION C

OBSTRUCTING: Here the ball-carrier has started her bounce as she makes her initial move to advance, whereupon the defensive player raises her arms and traps her opponent in direct violation of Rule 4, Div. F, Sec. 2 (a). In all these pictures it should be pointed out that the position of the defensive player for guarding a ball-carrier who has not yet spent the bounce or juggle to which she is entitled, is not particularly good. A defensive player, in guarding a ball-carrier who still has a bounce or a juggle coming to her, should maintain a position at least an arm's length away from her opponent. However, these pictures are not concerned with the strategy of guarding, but with the interpretation of the difficult charging, blocking and obstructing rules.

One form of blocking, not usually called by referees in the past but which should be called, is shown in Illustration B at the bottom of the opposite page. The player in the dark uniform is attempting to move past her opponent in the white uniform. As the player in the dark uniform moves to the right her opponent, anticipating her movements by turning her head and looking over her shoulder. does likewise. Dancing from side to side in front of the player in dark, the girl in white does a first class illegal job of blocking. Some referees have not called this blocking because, as they explain, the suspected player kept her arms down. Very true, she keeps her arms down, but she is nonetheless "impeding the progress of an opponent who has not the ball." Moreover, the position of the ball in relation to these two jockeying players has nothing to do with the case. In boys' basketball, for instance, a foul for blocking would not be called on the player in white unless she was facing her opponent as well as ignoring the [Concluded on page 32]



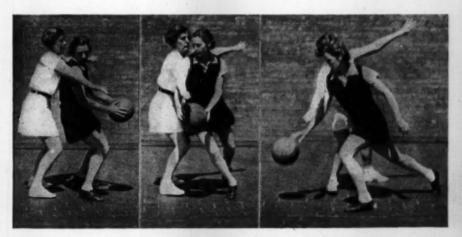


ILLUSTRATION D

NOT CHARGING: Neither the ball-carrier nor the defensive player is guilty of a foul in the situation to the left. The ball-carrier is within the spirit and letter of the law when she only brushes without roughness against the hands or arms of her opponent. And the opponent, too, is free from fault, because she makes no effort to obstruct the ball-carrier once the latter has released the ball. Il Illustration C above the defensive player is committing this foul of obstructing. In illustration A on the opposite page the ball-carrier is shown guilty of charging in a similar situation.

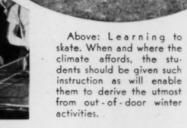
Lifetime

Below: The author demonstrating the pen-holder grip on a table tennis "bat," to a group of his students at Lincoln High School, Manitowoc, Wis.



By R. E. Lindwall

Below: Bowling class in the gymnasium at Commercial High School, New Haven, Conn., where the sport is one of the most popular winter activities.



Mr. Lindwall, director of intramural sports at Lincoln High School, Manitowoc, Wisconsin, is the author of Intramural Activities, Their Organization and Administration in the Junior and Senior High School, and coauthor of The Greek Lives Again.

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in the whole field of this training. I will touch only that essential part of the modern program which prepares high school students for competence in sports which will serve them through the greater part of their lives. Let us plan and promote our programs to give emphasis to performance. If the basis of the program is performance for all as their needs and desires demand, school officials have little to fear from the likelihood of the interscholastic program with its emphasis on superior athletes getting out of hand. In writing of the less emphasized sports one always does so at the risk of incur-

There is no age limit in billiards

ring the displeasure and distrust of those who are coaching the more emphasized sports. I hasten to say that I have no quarrel with the interscholastic program when it is geared to impart greater power to the basic program. But an ever-watchful eye must be kept over it lest it tear away from its foundation and become an educational anomaly. How the gearing should be done is another topic, not within the province of this article.

What do today's adults do for recreation, and what would they like to do? The answer to this question becomes a guide for the sports director making a curriculum. How many of these activities is the school equipped to spon-



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The National Recreation Association recently made a study entitled "The Leisure Time of 5,000 People." The main objects of the study were to find: First, what individuals were doing in their spare time; second, what these people would really enjoy doing. The study covered both sexes, and all ages, and represented a cross-section of society.

What were individuals doing in their spare time? The 30 ranking activities (94 were reported):

1, reading newspapers and magazines; 2, listening to the radio; 3, attending the movies; 4, visiting or entertaining others; 5, reading fiction; 6, auto riding for pleasure; 7, swimming; 8, writing letters; 9, reading non-fiction books; 10, conversation; 11, playing bridge (home); 12, picnicking; 13, attending theaters; 14, parties or socials; 15, hiking; 16, card parties (home); 17, family parties; 18, playing tennis; 19, dancing parties (home); 20, serious study; 21, caring for flower garden; 22, attending card parties; 23, backyard games; 24, taking part in church, political, civic activities; 25, visiting art or other museums; 26, day outings; 27, informal play hours with children; 28, sewing and millinery; 29, reading at library; 30, caring for home grounds.

What these people would really enjoy doing? On this question two-thirds of the group preferred outside activities instead of the passive, quiet indoor types. In other words, people were not doing what they really wanted to do. The 20 leading activities were:

1, playing tennis; 2, swimming; 3 boating; 4, playing golf; 5, camping; 6, caring for flower garden; 7, playing musical instrument; 8, auto riding for pleasure; 9, attending legitimate theatre; 10, ice skating; 11, hiking; 12, amateur dramatics; 13, fishing; 14, listening to the radio; 15, attending movies; 16, picnicking; 17, motor camping; 18, attending concerts (free); 19, gymnasium classes; 20, reading books—fiction.

The following points are revealed from the analysis of interests:

(d) Most people want physical activities. Only six passive, quiet activities were found among the first 20 preferences.

(b) Games, sports, and outings head the preferred list.

(c) The individual could not participate in the activities of more than half his choice because they involve organization, leadership, and facilities which required some private or public agency.

Herman Jacobson, present athletic coach at Beloit, Wisconsin, wrote his master's thesis on the study "Physical Education as Training for the Proper Use of Leisure Time." He sent out a questionnaire to graduates of the University of Wisconsin as far back as 1920. One question asked was, "What activities should have been offered in your college curriculum to carry over into adult life as recreational activities?" In order of frequency mentioned they were: Golf, tennis, swimming, hand-

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ball, volleyball, squash, skating, softball, and bowling-all mainly individual sports.

The author conducted a nation-wide questionnaire study among directors of physical education and intramural directors for his master's thesis. One question asked was: "What activities should be offered in the intramural program that might have a carry over value into adult

life?" In order of frequency mentioned they are: Tennis, golf, swimming, volleyball, handball, basketball, baseball, horseshoe, softball, and bowling. There is a little savor of prejudice here favoring group activities, I believe, due to the fact that the respondents were more familiar with them.

In 1927 Dr. Scott1 reported a study made of activity interests of 990 business and professional men. The first 20 choices are: 1, swimming; 2, fishing; 3, golf; 4, hiking; 5, gardening; 6, hunting; 7, calisthenics; 8. tennis; 9, handball; 10, volleyball; 11, boating; 12, equitation; 13, skating; 14, apparatus; 15, baseball; 16, boxing; 17, bowling; 18, bag punching; 19, basketball; 20, squash; 17, 21, wood-cutting.

McAndrews 2 made a study of about 300 college profes-sors at the Penn State College in regard to their physical activity participation. The first 20 are ranked in order of frequency: 1, hiking; 2, gardening; 3, social dancing; 4, swimming; 5, golf; 6, fishing; 7, tennis; 8, hunting; 9, horseshoes; 10, bowling; 11, skating; 12; boating; 13, handball; 14, volleyball; 15, equitation; 16, calisthenics; 17, baseball; 18, tobogganing; 19, basketball; 20, skiing

The following suggestions are ways and means by which we can introduce recreational carry-over sports into the curriculum:

Fishing. A series of lectures on various kinds of fishing (depending on the local situation) is of great interest. One special session might be held on various types of equipment used for different species of fish. A class in making flies has been a success in a northern Minnesota high school. Every town has its amateur fishermen who would be delighted to help out. Thousands of towns have Isaac Walton

Leagues, and other outdoor clubs, that might not only supply instructors but might also donate some new or old equipment to be used in teaching the activity.

In this activity there is an excellent opportunity to instill good sportsmanship and the principles of conservation into these embryo fishermen. Casting tournaments, a casting club, and fishing movies are other ideas. The author has already had marked success in getting fine prizes from various manufacturers for tournaments. Many of the larger sporting goods companies have

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Beyond (see hobby chapter), fishing, swimming, archery, certain forms of dancing, billiards, bowling, some calisthenics.

*From The Greek Lives Again, by Winder and Lindwall.
"Manual of Physical Education for the Junior and Senior High
School Student."

1H. H. Scott, "Physical Recreation and Exercise for Business Men," Nation's Health, Vol. LX, June, 1927.

2M. S. McAndrews, "The College Professor and Physical Education" (not published), mentioned in article "A Study of the Interest of Penn State College Freshmen in Certain Formal and Natural Physical Activities," by Elwood Craig Davis.

expert casters give exhibitions, and they are usually glad to help out in any school

Table Tennis. Tables, nets, balls and rackets should be available to the students before school, during the noon hour, and after school. Elementary instruction and demonstrations can be given in regular classes. Advanced instruction and practice could be continued in the intramural hours. Tournaments for both beginners and advanced players go over in a big way.

Mixed doubles (a boy and a girl against

Golf. Clubs, balls, nets for indoor driv-

ing, space for outdoor putting green

should be provided. In many towns pro-

fessionals at the local clubs are willing to

give free instruction in fundamentals to

school classes. A golf team with inter-

scholastic competition, of course, has been

in vogue in many schools for years. The

boys on the golf team might be used to

aid the professional in teaching or in as-

sisting the school sports instructor. At

the local clubs a special green fee might

be obtained for students. Intramural tour-

naments for both advanced players and

beginners are desirable. Faculty vs. stu-

Tennis, Courts must be the first consid-

eration, then racquets, balls, and nets. Is it

not as reasonable for a school to own five

to twenty tennis rackets as it is twenty-

five complete track suits for the track

team? The tennis equipment should be

available to all students and not alone to

the tennis team members. The courts

should be available all hours of the day.

Instruction should be given to groups on

fundamentals of tennis both in regular

class work and intramural hours after

school. Boys on the tennis team could be

used to work with beginners. The local

town tennis club could furnish instructors.

Tournaments should be run off for all

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Aquatics. Water activities offer the op-

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stunts, diving, life saving, and water games. The least one could do if there were no local pool is to give instructions on how to go about learning to swim, so that the students will have an idea of what to do before going out to some swimming spot. Y. M. C. A's. and other organizations offer instruction in many of the larger cities, and schools might arrange to take advantage of these facilities.

Camping. This activity might be brought out through a club or clubs which would function after school hours and week-ends. Phases of camping such as setting up a tent, building fires, cookery (a boys' cooking class) might be introduced. Education in camping equipment might be brought to the students by an athletic outfitter or sporting goods shop. The author had the Boy Scout executive offer a course in camping as an optional intramural activity.

Hiking. Hiking can be enjoyed at all ages, all times, at no or little expense. As Beard, the Boy Scout executive says, "There is an absolutely necessary thing for an enjoyable hike and that is an objective." Hikes to various spots would depend, of course, upon the local situation. Trips to zoos, museums, parks, acquariums, or historical places offer some of the objectives. Various hiking games may be introduced. A hiking club might be organized where the objective might be to visit all the worthwhile institutions in town. Picnics and outings are favorite pastimes of clubs with an athletic program thrown in for good measure. Other class work in conjunction with hiking would include instruction on proper posture while walking. Discussion on clothing, safety precautions. etc., should be given. Nothing would be more timely than a unit or two on safety education.

Bowling. The scoring of the game should be taught to all required classes. Pins, balls, and scoring sheets may be borrowed from any bowling alley establishment, and as a temporary set-up an alley may be drawn up with chalk on the gym floor. Free pamphlets on scoring and playing hints may be obtained from almost any bowling alley. The bowling alley is usually willing to furnish free instructors to classes of beginners. Tournaments could be held for beginners. Mixed doubles would prove very popular. In some communities the school has worked out a plan whereby the proprietor of the local bowling alleys extends special rates to school-sponsored bowling during morning and afternoon

Billiards. There is no age limit in billiards. The school recreation room is the appropriate place for a table. With table and equipment available interest in the game is spontaneous. As with table tennis, the facilities would not satisfy the demand. A pamphlet, "How to Play Billiards," is available free, in quantities, from the National Billiard Association, 629 South Wabash Ave., Chicago.

Boating. Many schools having swimming pools give a course in the fundamentals of canoeing by having a canoe for such a purpose. Water safety can also be dovetailed into this instruction. A boating club with after-school and week-end activities

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gional championship represents the maximum honor that a Class B eleven can attain.

The Class C teams are divided into 15 districts and a district championship is the highest available honor in these small schools, most of which are rural.

Regional and district championships are decided on a basis of games won, lost and tied. This has its complications, as any district committee will attest. If, at the end of the season there is a tie in percentage, it is up to the committee to declare a champion. In most cases, the committee will have the two tied teams play each other to decide the title. The league prohibits any player from participating in more than ten games before Thanksgiving, so if one of the teams had already played ten games, the championship would automatically go to the team that had only played nine. We had a case last year where two teams were tied at the end of the season, their records about even. Both teams had played ten games, so they flipped for it. We had another case come up this year. Big Springs and San Angelo, the two leading teams in District 3, played to a scoreless tie. The two coaches had previously agreed that in case of a tie the game would go to the team making the more 20-yard line penetrations. In this, San Angelo was up 2 to 0, but since the principal of the Big Springs school had not given the agreement his stamp of approval, the committee ruled it a tie game, and if both teams finish the season without another tie or defeat, they will have to play over. In case of a deadlock the district committee may take into consideration the respective teams' records as a basis for awarding the title. It should be made clear that this is up to the various district committees.

Spectacular race

Texas high school football fans are witnessing one of the most spectacular races in the history of the league this year. Several pre-season favorites have already bit the dust and are being replaced with brand new potential champions. At present, the Texas outlook is about as follows at this writing (Nov. 14):

From all indications, the 1934 champion Amarillo Sandstormers, coached by Blair Cherry, have District 1 pretty well in hand since they defeated Lubbock 24 to 0 after Lubbock had defeated the other strong team, Pampa, by a 6 to 0 score. Anything, however, can happen in the bitter Amarillo-Pampa setto—but the Sandies are favorites.

With four wins, no defeats and the strongest competition behind them, the Breckenridge Buckaroos are practically "in" in District 2.

San Angelo and Big Springs will probably have to play off a scoreless tie to decide the District 3 muddle, and by virtue of their previous record, the former is favored.

El Paso High, coached by Othol "Abe" Martin, has the District 4 situation under control by virtue of a perfect district record.

Since Wichita Falls and Quanah, the District 5 leaders, came to a tie in their annual clash, there is also a muddle there, but the A.P. gives Wichita a slight edge—and the writer is too far away to contest this opinion.

The Sherman Bobcat's perfect record with only one game to go makes them a practical cinch in District 6.

H. N. "Rusty" Russell's Masonic Home eleven is setting the pace in District 7, but is being pressed by Fort Worth Polytechnic, with only a tie to mar a perfect season.

Anybody will be safe in saying that Wally Davis' Dallas Tech Wolves are again the best eleven in District 8. And the Greenville Lions defeated Paris again this year and consequently are already champions of District 9.

Gladewater took control of District 10 by defeating Kilgore while Tyler blasted Longview's hope with a 19-to-7 setback.

As the advertisements say, "They laughed when Mexia came out to play" Class A football with only a fair Class B record, but Thomas Gray also said "Those who came to scoff remained to" praise when they swept everything before them in District 11 (to date). When this writer sees these words in print he may regret his venture into prophecy.

For the first time in six years it looks as though District 12 will have a new champion, inasmuch as George Forehand's Temple Wildcats outclassed the five-time champion Corsicana Tigers 37 to 0. The victory was indeed sweet to Temple, in 1932 and 1934 deprived of a district title by this same team by 14 to 12 and 14 to 13 scores respectively.

San Jacinto (Houston), with only one to go, looks like a cinch in District 13. And although both Port Arthur and Beaumont have flawless records in District 14, the dope gives the fine team wearing the Port Arthur colors a decided edge.

District 15 has Thomas Jefferson (San Antonio), coached by Tom Dennis, as a leader at present, but with Brackenridge (San Antonio) on the Thanksgiving menu with only a tie against it, we look for the top rung on the ladder to change hands.

It looks as though the Corpus Christi Buccaneers, state finalists last season, will win the title again down in District 16.

Prosperity at night

Texas is thoroughly sold on night football, and there are two excellent reasons for that attitude. In the first place, it has put many athletic treasuries on a paying basis and fattened those already prosperous. For instance, 10,500 nocturnal fans saw the San Jacinto Bears (Houston) defeat the San Houston eleven, 27 to 13, under the arc lights and 8,500 were on hand to witness Waco's 13 to 0 victory over Cleburne at night when both teams had previously been defeated in the district race, while only 6,500 saw Temple lace Corsicana that afternoon in the game everbody knew would virtually decide the District 12 championship. Such figures in district games were unheard of before the advent of night football. Then in the second place, the cool night air fits much better into the football picture in Texas weather than the sultry autumnal afternoons. The general rule is night football until about the middle of November and then daylight games after that when the weather changes. Many high schools refuse to play the important district games in November under the lights.

Geography plays an important role in Texas high school football. The distance between two of the remotest cities represents approximately 940 miles. The size of the Lone Star State was well expressed in the 1934 state championship game when Amarillo and Corpus Christi, with 681 miles separating them, chose Dallas as the neutral ground for the game. Under that arrangement, Amarillo had to travel 373 miles and Corpus Christi only 440 miles. The other extreme was evident in 1932 when Masonic Home H.S. of Fort Worth and Corsicana met in the finals, the distance between the two cities being only 82 miles. For Class B and C teams to travel such distances would often turn out to be financial disasters

Missouri

HE Missouri H.S. Coaches' Assn. and the University of Missouri Athletic Department will stage their annual Basketball Clinic and Rules Interpretation Meeting, Dec. 14 in Brewer Field House, Columbia. The meeting will start at one o'clock. The program:

Individual and Team Offense, by George R. Edwards, Univ. of Mo.

The Fast Break, by Mike Nyikos, St. Louis Univ.

How to Prepare a Team for Tournament Play, by Glenn Smith, Hickman H.S., Columbia.

Goal Shooting, by Raymond G. Polster, Beaumont H.S., St. Louis.

Ethics of the Game, by R. E. Peters, Northeast H.S., Kansas City.

Individual and Team Defense, by J. C. Collmeyer, East H.S., Kansas City.

Selecting and Conditioning Men—Outline of Practice Sessions, by Pat Mason, Rockhurst College.

Types of Offense and Defense, by Buck Weaver, Southern Kansas Stage Liners, 1935 National A.A.U. champions.

How to Meet a Zone Defense on Small Floors, by Coach Milner, Jackson H.S. Effect of the New Rules on Team Of-

fense and Defense, by E. F. Kimbrell, Westminster College.

Rules interpretation and discussion

After the rules discussion the coaches will adjourn for a dinner meeting of the membership of the Missouri H.S. Coaches' Assn. in a downtown Columbia hotel, as yet unselected. This meeting is the annual membership meeting, and is held for the purpose of electing state officers for the year. All coaches who plan to attend should make reservations for this dinner with either George Edwards of M. U. or C. E. Potter, St. James.

The business meeting will be over in time to allow the members to attend the St. Louis U.-Missouri basketball game. All coaches will be guests of the University

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led all others in membership. The Mineral Area Assn. (Flat River) held their organization meeting Oct. 3 at Bonne Terre with a dinner meeting. The following new officers were elected: Presi-dent, Carl Porchey, Herculaneum; vicepresident, Tim Daugherty, Desloge; secy.-treas., George Mienhardt, De Soto. A Discussion of the National Federation football rules led by Coach Cunningham of Desloge followed. It was generally agreed among the coaches present that the rules were satisfactory, in the main. The question then arose: "Are the high schools of this district discontinuing footballs."

Organization meetings have been held in

several of the twelve districts of the Assn. The Warrensburg district met during the

Teachers meeting, and elected officers for the new year as follows: President, Roy Brown, Lees Summit; Secy.-treasurer, H. W. Leech, Odessa. The Warrensburg dis-trict last year under the leadership of Bill Lyon was the most active in the state and

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decided tendency toward discontinuing the game throughout the Mineral Area. Basketball was next discussed and the coaches were unanimous in the opinion that the present new tournament set-up in Missouri is a great improvement over the old system. Some of the coaches disapproved of the way in which the funds were distributed from the tournaments last year, believing that the State Athletic Assn. demanded more than its share.

of this district discontinuing football?"

The discussion indicated that there is a

The North East Assn. (Kirksville District) met in connection with the district teachers' meeting at Kirksville Oct. 17 and 18. Fred Schwengel of Kirksville was re-elected president; Ray Keithler of Clar-ence, vice-president, and Fred Spees of Novelty, secy.-treasurer.

The Rolla district organized for the new year during the South Central Mo. district teachers' meeting held at Rolla Oct. 17 and 18. The meeting was attended by practically every coach in the nine counties of this district.

C. E. Potter of St. James was re-elected president, and Fred Moseley of Salem and Leslie Cahill of St. James to the offices of vice-president and secy.-treasurer respec-

Coach Peg Mahuw of Sikeston, when asked by the writer after the football season, whether he had changed his mind about the dangers of the forward pass un-der the new Federation rules, replied that the had not. He reports that not many Mo. coaches experimented a great deal with the forward pass close to the line of scrimmage, but he said he did notice that teams from the neighboring states of Tennessee and Illinois had considerable trouble with injuries due to the linemen's hard charging in that type of play.

Cape Central had the outstanding foot-ball team in South East Missouri, with Jackson, Charleston and Sikeston ranking behind them. Cape had a set of fast, hardcharging linemen, and good shifty backs. They ran most of their plays from a single wing with an unbalanced line, using the double wing principally for deception. Sikeston also used the single wing with a balanced line while Charleston and Jackson ran from the double.

The M. S. H. S. A. A. has at last separated the Class A from the Classes B and C track meets. This will undoubtedly prove popular with the coaches of schools in all three classes and will increase the

attendance of Class B and C schools at the state meet.

The Class B and C meet will be held in Columbia, May 2, with the Class A meet following one week later, May 9.

Now if the Board of Control would

make arrangements to alternate the state basketball tournament between Kansas City and St. Louis (due to the poor attendance in Columbia), more joy would

c. e. potter, St. James

Interscholastic Swimming Coaches' Association of America

Last year at Cambridge at the Inter-scholastic Swimming Coaches' Association annual meeting the question of the order of events for interscholastic meets came up for discussion. Out of this discussion came the recommendation that a new order be adopted by the N.C.A.A. Rules Committee. The following is the new order of events for both dual and championship competi-

1. 50 yard Freestyle (75 foot pool)
40 yard Freestyle (60 foot pool)
2. 100 yard Breast stroke
3. 220 yard Freestyle
4. 100 yard Backstroke
5. 100 yard Freestyle
6. Fancy Diving (See Diving Rule)
7. 150 yard Medley Relay (75 foot pool)
180 yard Medley Relay (60 foot pool)
8. 200 yard Freestyle Relay (75 foot pool)
160 yard Freestyle Relay (60 foot pool)

It is the hope of this Association, the Interscholastic Advisory Committee to the N.C.A.A. Rules Committee, and the National Federation representative on the Committee, that all schools will abide by the new order.

By changing the two relays to the last two events on the program the most ex-citing and usually the decisive events are left to the last and the spectators will be held to see the whole meet. Some question might be raised as to how decisive the two relays are anyway, and this point may be justly made with the present scoring of eight points for first place and four for second place in the freestyle relay and six for first and three for second in the medleys. The relays which represent a team should be a test of the relative strength of each team and be awarded and regarded as such. The writer definitely feels that this new order will improve this situation; and if it is necessary to make additional changes in the scoring later to place an even greater premium on these two events this change will likely be made.

Another advantage of the new order is that adequate time is allowed for rest on the part of competitors who participate in more than one event in their special

stroke. Possibilities:

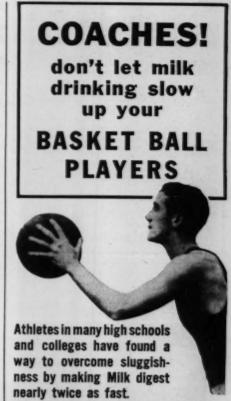
a. A Freestyler.

(1) 50 or 40 yards, (5) 100 yards.
(1) 50 or 40 yards, (3) 220 yards.
(1) 50 or 40 yards, (7) or (8) Relays.
(5) 100 yards, (7) or (8) Relays.
b. A Breaststroker.
(2) 100 yards, (7) Medley Relay.
c. A Backstroker.
(5) 100 yards, (7) Medley Relay

In looking at this problem each coach, of course has to work out his own situa-tion, but with the new order of events he will have a better chance to place his men. In closing may I say that this new order

of events is not an experiment, but has proven satisfactory to the New England Association for the past three years, and should be greeted with universal acceptance by interscholastic swimming men as a forward step in the organization of our sport.

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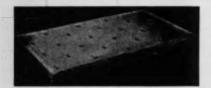
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being paid, but he preferred having them get their money elsewhere.

The Association of State Universities, at its recent meeting in Washington, D. C., (Nov. 22), moved toward frank and open handling of the problem of collegiate athletic subsidies by asking that full publicity be given to the source and amounts of an athlete's income and published in the student newspaper.

Well, things are coming out into the open, where it is healthier.

Rules. The fast-whistle slow-whistle argument will stop only when the N.C.A.A. Football Rules Committee clears up the ambiguity it caused by the insertion of the Supplemental Note to Rule 7. Section 7. We are all in favor of encouraging the lateralpassing game, but we believe that it can be done without introducing a seeming contradiction into the dead ball rule. Users of the Official Interscholastic Rules were not affected by the controversy, because the National Federation Football Rules Committee did not attempt to elaborate on the "forward progress" clause. ¶At the beginning of the season, Walter Okeson, chairman of the N.C.A.A. Football Rules Committee, made known

the concern he felt over the addition of the Supplemental Note to the N.C.A.A. code encouraging the "slow whistle," and he made it clear at the time that the thing was experimental and "must not be paid for by any increase in injuries." Few injuries can probably be traced to it, but the experiment is nonetheless a failure because of the aforementioned ambiguity. Regarding the growing prestige of the National Federation Official Interscholastic Rules we are happy to note, in review, that the high schools of thirteen states now have adopted these rules; that much of the opposition from high school minorities in states using the rules has decreased appreciably; that Walter Okeson and his N.C.A.A. Football Rules Committee have come to see the wisdom of high school men deciding for themselves the rules of a game for which they are responsible, and have committed themselves to a policy of cooperation with the National Federation committee. There is still an articulate body of coaches who "do not see why two rule books are necessary." Well, two rule books wouldn't be necessary if (1) the one rule book could be made to contain all the rules the high school men want in the way they want to write them as well as all the rules the college men want in the way they want to write them; and (2) the college men and the high school men could agree on a method of selling and distributing the rule books. Now, you querulous coaches, all you have to do is to get these two groups of men to do these two little things, and there you are!

Lifetime Sports

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has been worked successfully. Several rowing machines in a school can be used to good advantage. Talks, movies, etc., are stimulating.

Winter sports. Where the climate permits, schools should take every advantage of snow and ice, even going so far as to call off classes so that the students may have the opportunity to enjoy snow that, as in some states, may be gone tomorrow. Instruction in skiing can be given in the required gymnasium class out-of-doors. A ski cross-country run, with the competition by groups as well as by individuals, is popular wherever tried.

Extra suggestions. Books that discuss tennis, badminton, camping, gardening, hobbies, etc., should be in the intramural library and available to all. Another suggestion is to post attractive pictures of the various activities. Junior and senior students in high school should be allowed special privileges to develop their own recreational activity by playing tennis, horseshoes, handball, practicing casting, etc., instead of taking only teacher-imposed work.

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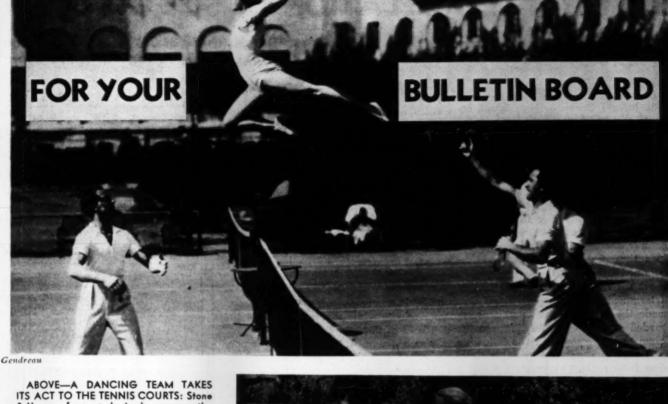
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BASKETBALL IN RELATION TO SIZE OF FLOOR

By A. J. Bergstrom

Illinois study of 447 games played on eight classifications of floor areas

Mr. Bergstrom, football coach of the Monticello (Illinois) Community High School, has based this article on his study of district basketball tournaments in Illinois during the spring of 1935.

HE rules governing boys' basketball make provision for an "ideal" size court on which high school games should be played.* The fact that the rule providing for this ideal size has been adopted without any definite scientific basis suggested the idea that perhaps evidence could be obtained by which the optimum size court for high school games could be determined. In the study which was made the optimum size court was regarded as that one which allowed the game to be played with the following qualities: (a) greatest possible free-dom from fouls, (b) greatest possible freedom from violations and interruptions, and (c) provision for the most interesting game from the standpoint of the spectator. The study did not take into consideration the physiological effect upon the players.

The data used in the study were collected in the district basketball tournaments held throughout the state of Illinois during the spring of 1935. Data from 447 games, played on eight classifications of floor areas, were used in this study. The floor sizes and number of games played on each size are

as follows:

Class I	2500-2699 sq. ft.	46 games
Class II	2700-2899 sq. ft.	42 games
Class III	2900-3199 sq. ft.	38 games
Class IV	3200-3399 sq. ft.	135 games
Class V	3400-3599 sq. ft.	53 games
Class VI	3600-3899 sq. ft.	38 games
Class VII	3900-4099 sq. ft.	64 games
Class VIII	4100-4500 sq. ft.	31 games

After the data were collected averages for the various interruptions, etc., were computed. Some of these averages are herewith enclosed.

TABLE I
Averages for Various Interruptions
Per Minute
For Various Floor Sizes

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			Change		
Floor	Travel-	Ball	Team	Jump	
Size	ing	In	Possession	Ball	Fouls
I	.390	1.56	3.26	1.72	.551
II	.392	1.29	3.49	1.50	.703
III	.351	1.64	2.70	1.73	.711
IV	.395	1.33	2.71	1.58	.692
V	.403	1.31	2.52	1.52	.674
VI	.335	1.12	2.30	1.96	.650
VII	.326	1.36	3.14	1.36	.746
VIII	.387	1.09	1.48	1.47	.663

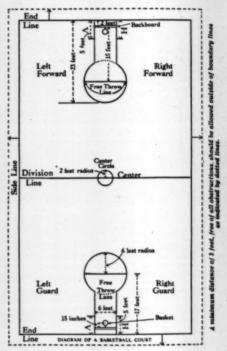
^{*}Official Basketball Rules, 1935-36: Rule 1, Section 1 gives the following dimensions ideal for teams whose players are of the age indicated for each group:

It is shown in Table I that there is not a real consistency in the decrease of interruptions with the increase in floor area. However, there does seem to be a general tendency toward reduction of interruptions with the increase in floor area. Factors entering into the situation thus causing inconsistency are probably officiating, the type of game being played, that is, whether it is a fast or slow break, and the type of defense, zone or man to man. For instance, in Table I it will be noted that in Floor Size VI with an area of 3600-3799 square feet there is an average of 1.96 jump balls per minute while in Floor Size I with an area of 2500-2699 square feet there is an average of 1.72 jump balls per minute. The difference in these two situations is probably due to some outside factor, such as officiating, as the data in other instances, are fairly consistent.

TABLE II Average Scores of the Winners and Losers for Various Floor Sizes

1	Floor	Average Score	Average Score
	Size	Winners	Losers
1	1	34.11	19.96
1	II	37.11	21.67
1	III	39.65	22.62
1	IV	35.26	18.25
1	V	33.90	21.70
7	VI	38.90	19.52
1	VII	34.52	19.51
1	VIII	37.45	17.70

The fact that the superior team can operate more efficiently on a larger court is brought out by the above table. In this table there is brought out that though the average number of total points scored in each game, regardless of floor size, is consistent there is a general tendency that on larger courts the difference between the score of the winners and the losers is greater. For instance, on Floor Size I the total score for both winners and losers is 54.07, the winners scoring an average of 34.11 points against 19.96 for the losers. The difference between these scores is 14.15 points. On Floor Size VIII the total score for both winners and losers is 55.15, the winners scoring an average of 37.45 points against 17.70 points for the losers. The difference between the two scores is 19.75. Thus, on a small court where shots may be taken at random the weaker team has a better chance to win than it has on a large court where the ball must be maneuvered "in" for reasonable shots.



Official diagram of basketball court, from the Official Basketball Guide, showing the broken-line extension of each freethrow erc, to make the complete circle, as required by the 1935-36 rules. The complete circle now serves as a restraining line behind which the eight other players must stay until the ball has been tapped on a jump ball at that freethrow line.†

Too many interruptions during the course of the game results in the criticism that the color has been taken out of the contest by the continual break in the continuity of play. As indicated by Table III there is a fairly consis-

TABLE III
Frequency of Interruptions (ball in, changing team possession, jump balls, fouls) per Minute for Various

	rioor Sizes	
Floor Size	Interruptions per Minute	
I	7.091	
II	6.983	
III	6.781	
IV	6.312	
V	6.024	
VI	6.030	
VII	6.606	
VIII	4.703	

tent decrease in the number of interruptions per game as the floor size increases. For instance, on Floor Size I there is an average of 7.091 interruptions per minute or approximately

†Through an oversight, the 1935-36 rules provide no penalty for trespassing in the freethrow circle on a jump ball there. Oswald Tower, official interpreter of the rules, says that the note to Rule 15, Sec. 1, applies as penalty. In effect, this note authorizes the official to call a violation on the offending player and award the ball to the opponents out-of-bounds. If violated repeatedly a technical foul may be called for delaying the game.

or each group:
1. Jr. high school age 42 by 74 ft. 3108 sq. ft.
2. High school age 50 by 84 ft. 4200 sq. ft.
3. College age 50 by 90 ft. 4500 sq. ft.

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215 during the entire game. On Floor Size V there is an average of 6.024 interruptions per minute or approximately 192 per game. On Floor Size VIII there is an average of 4.703 interruptions per minute or approximately 130 per game.

Several other tables of additional data have been omitted because of a lack of space. However, it was found that throughout the study the data, excluding the outside factors mentioned before, were fairly consistent in indicating that a large court is better suited for high school games than a small one. The type of floor in this study having the least interference per game had a mean area of 4300 square feet.

Basketball Strategy

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It can only hope that the spectators and opponents will grow tired of the resulting inaction and that scoring attempts will be resumed. Should the offense continue delayed tactics, the zone may spread and thus reduce its effectiveness. Usually it elects to adopt a man-to-man style. From this it might be concluded that good defensive strategy would dictate use of a zone formation while leading in the score,

and a man-to-man when behind. Ideal as such strategy may appear it has been found almost impossible to operate. A zone player learns to rush the ball-holder and to chase the ball. since his teammates are ready to come to his rescue if he is caught out of position. This habit remains with him when he tries to operate in a man-toman defense and makes him a sucker for cuts and screens. Many coaches have attempted to teach both styles of defense to their teams but the ones whose work I have followed have al-

Player's Father Shoots Coach

most all found that it doesn't work.

The anger of a father whose son had been dismissed from the football squad for violating training rules found a horri-ble outlet when the father shot the coach of the team and then turned the gun on himself. P. S. Killen, the football coach of the Lake Charles, La., High School team, was in the school auditorium the afternoon of Nov. 22, conducting a pep meeting for the game that night with Abbeville High School, when he was summoned to a hallway and shot by the father of the dismissed player. The father fired four shots: the first two went wild; the third entered the coach's abdomen; the fourth was fired into his own head. The father collapsed. Killen walked out of the building into an automobile, and was driven to a hospital, where it was determined the bullet had just missed his heart. He was in a critical condition, but both he and the father were living as this issue went to press. Killen's players stood ready to give blood transfusions.



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